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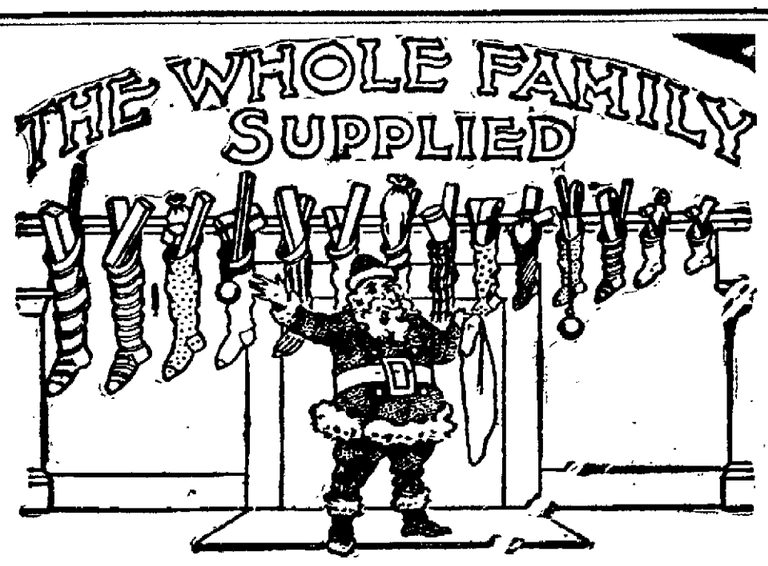

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Men's Brown Imitation Alligator Slippers,	50c
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Men's Velvet Slippers 75c.	Men's Tan Vici Opera Slippers, $1
Men's Black Vici Opera Slippers $1	Boys' Black Velvet Slippers, 60c
Boys' Tan Pearl Everett, 60c	Youths' Velvet Everett, 50c
Ladies' Red Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1.25
Ladies' Black Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1.25
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Miss Ward, serio-comic; Miss Carrie Kauffman, operatic singer; Miss Meerson coon singer song and dance; Ed Reeves, champion clog dancer of the world. Dance Thursday night. Amateur Night, Saturday night.

ATLANTA'S JUBILEE.

Enthusiastic Reception to the President.

THE BLOODY SHIRT FORGOTTEN.

McKinley Says the North Will Help Care For Confederate Graves. General Wheeler Hero of the Day.

ATLANTA, Dec. 15.—President McKinley made memorable the first day of the Atlanta peace jubilee by a notable utterance in his speech before the joint session of the Georgia legislature yesterday afternoon. His reception by the general assembly was warm and hearty in the extreme, and his speech was interrupted with frequent outbursts of cheering. It is admitted on all sides that the address marked an epoch in history and is on every lip.

Upon the president's arrival at the capitol he was greeted with a field artillery salute and was at once escorted to Governor Candler's office. There a short informal reception took place. Upon its conclusion the president was conducted to the assembly chamber, where he occupied the speaker's chair, with Governor Candler on his right.

When President Dodson of the senate called the legislature to order the galleries were thronged with men and women. The body of the chamber was well filled with state senators and assemblymen, while the uniforms of various officers and the governor's staff gave a touch of brilliant color to the gathering. On the first row facing the speaker sat Secretaries Gage, Long, Wilson and Smith and Secretary to the President Porter. Beside the speaker's desk and below the president Generals Wheeler, Lawton and Young, in full uniform, sat on chairs. The speaker rapped for silence and introduced the president to the audience after congratulating the state of Georgia upon the presence of their distinguished guests. As the president rose the audience applauded. During the course of his short speech Mr. McKinley referred to his notes and constantly paused for the cheers to stop.

The president's speech was in part as follows:

"It is an uncommon pleasure to be thus greeted by these representatives of the state of Georgia, and it affords me much gratification to be here and rejoice with you over the signing of the treaty of peace with Spain.

"Sectional lines no longer mar the map of the United States. Sectional feeling no longer holds back the love we bear each other. Fraternity is the national anthem, sung by a chorus of 45 states and our territories at home and beyond the seas. The Union is once more the common atlas of our love and loyalty, our devotion and sacrifice. The old flag again waves over us in peace with new glories, which your sons and ours have this year added to its sacred folds.

"What cause we have for rejoicing, saddened only by the fact that so many of our brave men fell on the field or sickened and died from hardship and exposure and others returned, bringing wounds and disease from which they will long suffer! The memory of the dead will be a precious legacy, and the disabled will be the nation's care.

"A nation which cares for its disabled soldiers as we have always done will never lack defenders. The national cemeteries for those who fell in battle are proof that the dead as well as the living have our love. What an army of silent sentinels we have and with what loving care their graves are kept!"

A scene of intense enthusiasm followed when, amid impressive silence, these words fell from the lips of the president:

"Every soldier's grave made during the civil war is a tribute to American valor, and while, when these graves were made, we differed widely about the future of the government, those differences were long ago settled by the arbitrament of arms, and the time has now come, in the evolution of sentiment and feeling under the providence of God, when in the spirit of fraternity we should share with you in the care of the graves of the Confederate soldiers."

A wild cheer went up from every throat in the typical southern audience —a cheer that echoed and reached through the chamber until it was taken up by the crowd outside.

Old men who fought for the south rose from their seats and waved their hats. One Confederate veteran, now a venerable legislator, had passed forward until he was leaning against the speaker's desk hanging on each word the president uttered. When the reference was made to the Confederate dead, this old man buried his head in his arms and, while cheers rang out, cried like a little child. Of all the many conciliatory speeches which have been made since Grant said, "Let there be peace," nothing has more deeply stirred a southern audience than the simple words of President McKinley yesterday afternoon.

When President McKinley had concluded, there were loud cries for Wheeler, and when that little man got up, his head scarcely higher than the speaker's desk, the audience once more gave vent to wild enthusiasm. General Wheeler referred eulogistically to the efforts of the president toward preserving peace as long as the country's honor would permit such efforts and of his masterful policy after it was inevitable. General Wheeler paid a tribute to Admiral Dewey and added:

"The army in conjunction with the navy was ordered to attack and destroy the Spanish forces at Santiago. In four weeks that order was obeyed and its purpose accomplished. The proud Spanish nation stood suing for peace from the nation which a month before it had held up to ridicule and scorn."

Calls for Brigadier General Young brought that officer to his feet with a short speech regarding the conditions of the army camps in the south. He said that no troops in the world were better, more regally fed and treated than were the troops in South Carolina and Georgia. General Lawton was loudly cheered, but refused to make a speech. He simply thanked on behalf of his men at Santiago the legislature and people of Georgia for their tribute to himself. Secretary Alger refused to speak, and the legislature dissolved. The president held a private reception in the senate and afterward a public reception on the steps of the rotunda. There were hundreds of southerners crushed and jostled by each other in their anxiety to shake a northern president's hand. Many had come from miles distant, and at 2:15 p. m., when the president left the capitol, there were still hundreds bitterly disappointed because they had not been able to make their way through the surging throng to get a second's hold on his hands. The day's festivities included a unique floral parade, which was reviewed by the president, and a festival last night to the distinguished guests at the Capital City club.

IN THE HOUSE.

The Lodge Immigration Bill Turned Down Again.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The house yesterday for the second time during this congress refused to consider the Lodge immigration bill. At the last session an attempt was made to take it from the speaker's table, but it was defeated by a large majority. Mr. Danford of Ohio, chairman of the immigration committee, thought the bill would be stronger after the elections were over, but when he tried again to secure consideration the house declined—100 to 103—to take it up.

An interesting but brief debate on the rules was precipitated during the session by Mr. Grow of Pennsylvania, during which Mr. De Armond made a speech on the decadence of the privilege of debate in the house and held Speaker Reed responsible for the fact that the house had had no opportunity to adopt a new system of rules at this session. The speaker replied with a sarcastic speech, in which he referred to the complaints of John Randolph in the early days of the century to show that the same remonstrances were made then that were being heard today.

House Committee Discusses Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The house committee on territories yesterday began consideration of the bill to provide a territorial form of government for the Hawaiian Islands. Representative Hitt, chairman of the foreign affairs committee, and Mr. Frear of Hawaii, who were members of the Hawaiian commission, explained the conditions of the islands and the bill which the commission prepared. In their explanation they followed the lines of the commission's report. The committee decided to refer the bill to a subcommittee consisting of Chairman Knox (Rep.) of Massachusetts and Messrs. Broderick (Rep.) of Kansas, Low (Rep.) of New York, Henry (Dem.) of Texas and Ferguson (Dem.) of New Mexico.

Pension Appropriation Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The pension appropriation bill reported to the house today carries $145,233,830, being the exact amount of the estimates and $4,000,000 more than carried by the current law. Pension disbursements increased from $139,949,717 in 1897 to $144,651,879 in 1898. The total number of pensioners on the rolls is 993,714.

Canal Debate Continues.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Yesterday's session of the senate was devoted entirely to the debate on the Nicaragua canal bill. Senator Hale reported the army deficiency bill. The most important amendments are the $3,000,000 contingency appropriation for the war and the same amount for the navy, to be expended under the direction of the president; for the signal corps, $35,000 increase; pontoon trains, engineer department, $30,000; assistants in engineer department, $30,000. The balance of the $50,000,000 defense fund is to be continued until six months after Jan. 1, 1899.

Court Martial In Secret Session.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—The members of the court martial which for two weeks past has been engaged in hearing evidence on the charges against Naval Constructor Hanscom of allowing workmen at League Island too much pay for overtime work were in secret session yesterday discussing the testimony that has been submitted. The finding of the court will not be known until given out by the navy department. It may be two or three days before the court reaches a decision.

Death of an Old Time Minstrel.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—Frank Moran, one of the most widely known minstrels in this country, died last night at the German hospital, aged 73 years. His death was due primarily to an attack of the grip. Frank Moran has been before the public as a minstrel for half a century. He was one of the founders of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

Spanish Cabinet Meeting.

MADRID, Dec. 15.—At the cabinet council yesterday the minister for foreign affairs, Duke Almodovar de Rio, read the text of the Spanish-American treaty. The council decided to consult Senor Montero Rios, president of the Spanish peace commission, respecting the formalities of simultaneous publication in the two countries.

General Greene Resigns.

HAVANA, Dec. 15.—General Francis V. Greene has resigned his position in the army and will leave this city for New York next Wednesday. He sent his resignation to President McKinley on Dec. 2, and it has been accepted. The reported reason for his resignation is the demands of his private business.

ADRIFT FOR SIX DAYS

Terrible Experience of the Johanna Swan's Crew.

FOUR DAYS WITHOUT WATER.

Found by a German Bark When Hope Had Been Abandoned—Five Men Brought In From Abandoned Schooner Acara.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Captain E. W. Shackford and crew of eight men belonging to the lost schooner Johanna Swan, which was abandoned at sea on Dec. 2, arrived safely in port yesterday afternoon.

The crew was taken on board the tug R. J. Barrett yesterday afternoon off the bar from the German bark Anna, which rescued the crew on Dec. 2, and landed at pier 14, North river, at 5:30 last evening. Captain Shackford, when seen at quarantine yesterday afternoon, gave the following story of his eventful voyage:

"We sailed from Satilla river Nov. 18 for New York with a full cargo of yellow pine lumber. We experienced fairly good weather until Nov. 26, in latitude 36.50, longitude 74.10, the vessel being then about 180 miles southeast of Sandy Hook. On that date the wind increased quickly from the northwest and at night blew with hurricane force, accompanied by a tremendous sea. The vessel was then hove to. On the morning of the 27th an enormous sea broke over the bows, which stove in the forward house. The vessel was then kept off and ran before the gale. Toward night another heavy sea boarded the vessel, which started the deck load and burst the main hatch. The vessel then quickly filled and broached to. During the whole time the storm blew with terrific fury. We succeeded in cutting away the rigging, when the spars went by the board. The vessel was now almost submerged, but the crew succeeded in lashing themselves to the after house and managed to find shelter in the lazarette, this being all that was left of the vessel above the water. On the 28th some of the crew succeeded in wading into the cabin and procured a small quantity of provisions, consisting of canned goods. Meanwhile all hands suffered terribly for the lack of water. After four days of terrible thirst they managed to condense some salt water, which alleviated their sufferings somewhat. The wind still continued to blow with tremendous fury, and the sea constantly washing over the vessel drenched the unfortunate crew.

"On Dec. 2, after six days of terrible suffering, a vessel was sighted bearing down toward the wreck. Signals of distress were hoisted on a piece of spar. The vessel proved to be the German bark Anna, from Bremen for New York. She was soon alongside. She lowered her boat and with much difficulty, owing to the wind and sea, succeeded in rescuing all hands. Captain Woege and his crew did all in their power to make us as comfortable as possible.

"The position of the wreck when abandoned was latitude 35.55, longitude 71.20. When off the Sandy Hook lightship, the tug R. J. Barrett came alongside and transferred us to the city."

MORE RESCUED MARINERS.

Crew of Schooner Acara Brought Into Boston Harbor.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—The three masted topsail schooner Morales of Lunenburg, N. S., Captain H. Webb, which reached this port yesterday, brought in the crew of five men of the two masted schooner Acara of Harrington, Me., which was abandoned at sea in a sinking condition about 24 miles east by north from South Shoal lightship last Friday.

The names of the men rescued are: Captain Eugene Nutter of Gouldsboro, Me.; First Mate Herbert Yeaton of Harrington, Me.; Cook Herbert Hinckley of Harrington and Seamen William Ingersoll and Charles Wing of Hampden, Me.

Flag Hoisted at Pinar del Rio.

PINAR DEL RIO, Cuba, Dec. 15.—General Davis followed the ceremony of hoisting the American flag above the city hall, which took place Tuesday, by issuing a brief proclamation. He then reviewed the United States and Cuban troops in the city and conferred with prominent citizens regarding municipal administration and the affairs of the province. The United States troops are quartered about 1¼ miles out of town. The Cuban soldiers will probably be enrolled as constabulary.

Russia and England Negotiating.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—The Vienna correspondent of The Standard says, "It is asserted here from both St. Petersburg and London sources of information that serious negotiations have been begun between Russia and Great Britain for the solution of the Chinese problem, Russia having arrived at the conclusion that it would be impossible to resist the now threatened co-operation of England, Germany, the United States and Japan."

Sybil Sanderson's Husband Dead.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Antonio E. Terry, formerly of New York, died here yesterday of liver complaint. He was twice married, his second wife being Sybil Sanderson, the opera singer. Antonio E. Terry was one of the sons of Senor Tomaso Terry, who left a fortune at his death in 1886 estimated to amount to from $50,000,000 to $60,000,000, to be divided among his six surviving children.

Chicagoans at Teddy's Inauguration.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The Hamilton club of Chicago has decided to send a delegation of 100 members of the club to attend the inauguration of Theodore Roosevelt as governor of New York at Albany on Jan. 2. The delegation will be headed by President Cody. Governor Elect Roosevelt is an honorary member of the Hamilton club.

NOMINATIONS CONFIRMED.

Many Military Appointments Ratified by the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The senate has confirmed these nominations:

Nathen O. Murphy, Arizona, to be governor of Arizona.

To be consuls—Alexander Heigartner of Ohio, Catania, Italy; John W. Lutz of Ohio, Arica, Chile.

To be members of the industrial commission—Thomas W. Philips of Pennsylvania, Andrew L. Harris of Ohio, John L. Kennedy of the District of Columbia, Ellison A. Smyth of South Carolina, John M. Farquhar of New York, Michael D. Ratchford of Indiana.

Colonels to be brigadier generals—Hamilton S. Hawkins, Jacob F. Kent, Guy V. Henry, William S. Worth, Edward P. Pearson, John H. Page, William M. Wherry, Harry C. Egbert, Evan Miles, Henry Carroll, Emerson H. Liscum, Joseph T. Haskell, Charles D. Viele, Aaron S. Daggett, John H. Patterson, Theodore A. Baldwin, Charles A. Whittier, Samuel Ovenshine, Charles McC. Reeve, Irving Hale, Richard Comba, John F. Weston, Edgar P. Kellogg.

Lieutenant colonels to be brigadier generals—Ezra P. Ewers, Charles F. Humphrey, Gilbert S. Carpenter, John W. Clous.

Brigadier generals to be major generals—Samuel B. M. Young, Thomas M. Anderson, Arthur MacArthur, Francis V. Greene, William Ludlow, Samuel S. Sumner, Jacob F. Kent.

Food For the Cubans.

HAVANA, Dec. 15.—The supply ship Comal, which arrived here Tuesday night, has unloaded 150 tons of provisions for distribution here. She leaves today for Cienfuegos. Thence the Comal will go to Trinidad and probably to other ports on the south coast of Cuba. Major Greenough, assisted by officers of the quartermaster's department, will issue the food under the advice of the local relief committees, who are well posted on the home conditions. Mr. Charles W. Gould accompanies the expedition. An important committee is being formed in Havana province to relieve immediate wants and remove persons able to work to lands outside the towns. Where it is necessary to use lands offered free the plan is to avoid pauperizing by giving food free and at the same time revive agricultural life. Organizations are forming in many places to co-operate with this committee, thus giving the latter the benefit of intimate knowledge of the local conditions. Other schemes are in process of formation with the view of assisting the widows, children and hospitals.

Texas Sails For Havana.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 15.—The United States battleship Texas, Captain Sigsbee, flagship of the north Atlantic squadron, sailed from Old Point yesterday for Havana. Commodore Philip, commanding the north Atlantic squadron, is on the Texas, and it is understood that he will take charge of the squadron that is once more forming in Cuban waters. The United States armored cruiser Brooklyn, Captain Cook, arrived at Old Point yesterday shortly after noon. It is expected that she will sail some time today after replenishing her coal bunkers.

Belgian Sailors Eaten by Cannibals.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 15.—Advices received here from the governor of the upper Kongo confirm the news brought by the steamer Leopoldville, from Africa, which arrived at Antwerp Tuesday, that four Belgian traders had been killed and eaten by the natives of upper Ubanghi. The governor adds that the traders' escort of 30 soldiers were also massacred and that another detachment of 40 soldiers, in charge of two white officers, who were proceeding to the assistance of the traders, were surprised by the natives, and all were put to death.

The Botkin Case.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The Botkin case attracted a large crowd to Judge Cook's court yesterday in spite of the stormy weather. Dr. Price, a chemist of this city, who analyzed seven pieces of the candy sent to Mrs. Dunning from this city, testified that he found enough arsenic to kill nine people. Dr. Wolf, the chemist of Dover, Del., who also examined some of the candy, was recalled to the stand and gave further testimony regarding his discoveries.

Charges Against Deputy Marshals.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The department of justice recently conducted an investigation regarding the charges made against Deputy United States marshals in Minnesota of misconduct in connection with the prosecution of criminal cases against the Indians. The report, which has just been made public, declares that the charges referred to were unfounded.

General Ludlow Governor of Havana.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Secretary Alger has designated General Ludlow to act as first military governor of Havana city, with full powers to deal with all local questions. He will leave for his post shortly. General Greene at Havana will remain there until relieved by General Ludlow and then come home to be retired.

Deaths at Santiago.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—General Wood, commanding at Santiago, reports recent deaths there as follows: Joe Taylor, private, Company H, Ninth volunteers, Dec. 11, consumption; Edsha Crosby, private, Company L, Third volunteers, tuberculosis, Dec. 13.

Blanco Reaches the Canaries.

MADRID, Dec. 15.—A dispatch from Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Canary islands, announces the arrival there of the Spanish steamer Villa Verde, which left Havana on Nov. 30, with Marshal Ramon Blanco, former governor general of Cuba.

Hunter Frozen to Death.

KENNEBUNK, Me., Dec. 15.—Harry Brown went hunting on Monday and did not return. A searching party yesterday found the dead body in the woods, frozen stiff.

Committed to Death.

BAR[illegible] Marie Brushan, [illegible] of ex-Corporation Counsel [illegible] Cuban, was fatally burned [illegible] day afternoon. Her clothing [illegible] from a stove.

England to Keep Crete.

LONDON [illegible] The Daily Mail says this morning: "We understand that the Porte has consented that the island of Crete is to be [illegible] permanent."

OUR CUBAN ARMY.

Wade's Commission Says 50,000 Men Are Needed.

WHERE THEY WILL BE STATIONED.

In Havana Province, 24,000; Pinar del Rio, 3,000; Matanzas, 10,000; Puerto Principe, 2,000; Santa Clara, 10,000; Santiago, 1,000.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The recommendation of the Cuban commission, Generals Wade and Butler and Admiral Sampson, as to the number of troops required for Cuba and the places of station became public yesterday when Adjutant General Corbin submitted a copy of it to the house military committee, which made it public with the assent of General Corbin. It is dated Oct. 19 and is chiefly interesting in connection with General Corbin's statement that it is the basis on which the war department has proceeded and is now proceeding. It is as follows:

As directed by cable of the 14th inst., we have the honor to furnish herewith a table showing our recommendations as to the stations for United States troops, with number and kinds of troops at each, on the evacuation of Spain. The Spanish troops now occupy 52 garrisons, counting Havana and other cities as one station each. It will be neither practicable nor advisable to replace all of these garrisons. Our recommendation is based on holding the more important cities, seaports and railroad centers, with sufficient force to operate in the vicinity and furnish small garrisons at such other points as may become necessary. This, we believe, will be the best disposition to make of our troops when they arrive. Should this be approved, the troops at each station should be promptly furnished when asked for by the evacuation commission, so as to be at their stations in time to relieve Spanish garrisons and prevent occupation by insurgent troops concentrated near most of the designated places. We consider the number of troops named in the accompanying table as the smallest that should be in the island, not including those now in the department of Santiago. In fixing this number we have been governed by the following considerations: Cuba is and for a long time has been really a military camp and governed by the most arbitrary rule. Practically there is no civil government or authority. The Spanish force consists of about 118,000 regulars, 21,000 volunteers on duty and 52,000 volunteers armed, but not on duty. The insurgents claim to have about 40,000 armed men, making a total of 231,000. Probably the military evacuation by Spain will remove about 100,000 men, leaving considerably more than that number, who will be, or recently have been, under arms to a great extent, living off the country. Many of these men will from necessity, if not from choice, be without employment. Among these men, as well as those who have not taken part in the late Spanish-Cuban war, exist feuds and political frictions. Many of these people are very ignorant. Few understand what independence and liberty mean or have fixed ideas as to what the future of their country will or should be. It will require tact and force to harmonize the conflicting interests and insure order. If a large force occupies the island as soon as Spain evacuates, it can under favorable conditions be much reduced in a few months. But it will be very unfortunate to begin with too small a force and be obliged to increase it."

The table of proposed stations of the United States troops submitted by General Wade shows a total of 50,000 troops, distributed as follows: Province of Pinar del Rio, 3,000; province of Havana, 24,000; province of Matanzas, 10,000; province of Santa Clara, 10,000; province of Puerto Principe, 2,000; province of Santiago, 1,000.

The towns at which the troops are to be stationed, with the numbers, are as follows:

Guanajay, 1,000 infantry; Havana, 2,200 infantry and 2,000 cavalry; Matanzas, 7,000 infantry and 1,000 cavalry; Cardenas, 2,000 infantry; Cienfuegos, 2,000 infantry and 1,000 cavalry; Trinidad, 2,000 infantry; Sagua la Grande, 1,000 infantry; Santa Clara, 1,000 infantry; Placetas, 1,000 infantry; Caibarien and Remedios, 1,000 infantry; Sancti Spiritus, 1,000 infantry; Nuevitas and Puerto Principe, 1,000 infantry and 1,000 cavalry; Manzanillo, 1,000 infantry.

The total shows 45 regiments of infantry and five of cavalry. There is also light artillery as follows: Havana, four batteries; Matanzas, two batteries; total, six batteries of 1,200 men.

Statement by General Corbin.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—At the hearing of the house committee on military affairs yesterday afternoon General Corbin made the following statement: "The war department is disposed to deal very leniently as to letting off men who are needed at home. In some cases colonels have been instructed to reduce companies to 80 men so as to let off men who were urgently needed at home, and even below 80 were making discharges on satisfactory statements that the presence of the men are needed at home."

Hilda Petersen Acquitted.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Hilda Petersen, the young woman who has been on trial since Monday in the supreme court of Queens county, in Long Island City, was last night acquitted of the murder of her 2-year-old daughter at Rockville Center on the night of March 4 last. The defense did not deny the crime, but pleaded insanity. The young woman was committed to the state hospital for the criminally insane at Matteawan, pending due process to determine her sanity. The jury was out less than two hours.

Suspended From the Ministry.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Dec. 15. The Schenectady classes of the Dutch Reformed church met in this city yesterday to try Rev. T. C. Johnston on the charge of "lying" and "drinking to excess." To the latter charge he pleaded guilty and promised complete reformation. The verdict of the classis was that he be suspended from the ministry for one year pending proof of his reformation.

Yosemite Ordered to the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15. The navy department has ordered the Yosemite to Manila by way of Suez canal and the Badger to Manila by way of the Pacific. Both vessels are at League Island.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Business of Tuesday Night's Regular Meeting — Health Officer's Report — Wells Unfit for Use.

The Board of Health held a regular session, Tuesday night, Messrs. Green Lutes, Reed, Bowers and Elliott and the Health Officer, Dr. Redfield, attending.

The Health Officer reported three cases of diphtheria, one of scarlet fever and two of typhoid fever in this city, since November 22. There is only one house in quarantine now.

Mrs. G. T. Clark was ordered to connect her property, 43 Wickham avenue, with the Cortland street sewer.

The Health Officer reported that water from Spring street's wells is unfit for use and he was authorized to find out if well water had been used where typhoid cases have been found in this city.

On recommendation of librarian Miss Mary H. VanKeuren, Supt. Tuthill was directed to notify the librarian when cases of contagion occur, in order that library books may not be passed in and out of such homes.

The Board decided to hold one regular meeting only, each month.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Little Business Done at Tuesday Night's Regular Meeting—A Teacher Appointed.

The Board of Education held a regular session, Tuesday night, Messrs. Flint, Hardenbergh, Purdy, Swalm, Martin, Cox and Royce being present.

Applications were received from Ella McDonolds and Lillian Tyndall, for appointment as teachers. The requests were filed.

Miss Mary O'Connor was appointed a teacher at the Bennett Hill School at a salary of $400 per year.

Bills amounting to $1,774.72 were audited.

Clothing Wanted for Distribution Among the Poor.

Elder Conkling, of Faith Mission, again appeals to the charitable for old clothing which may be of use to the poor of the city. Packages may be left at Ridgeway's on Mill street, or at the First National Bank, or if notified Mr. Conkling will call for packages.

Broken Trolley Wires.

The trolley wire broke on East Main street, near Academy avenue, Tuesday evening, stopping the operation of the road beyond that point until the break could be repaired. This morning, just after 7 o'clock, the wire broke at the point at which it had been spliced and traffic was again interrupted.

Ontario and Western's Annual Christmas Excursion.

On Dec. 20th, the Ontario and Western will sell tickets to New York city at greatly reduced rates, tickets good returning up to and including Dec. 27, on any regular train. The rate from Middletown will be $1.86 for round trip. td

Filling the O. and W. Ice Houses.

The Ontario and Western began cutting ice, Tuesday morning. The ice was nine inches thick and of the very best quality, and the work of harvesting will be continued as rapidly as possible until the houses are filled.

Cows From Buffalo.

Andrew T. Berthaif, of near Howells, returned from Buffalo, Tuesday, with a carload, twenty head, of fine milkers, which he purchased in the stock yards there.

There Is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over one-quarter as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cents and 25 cents per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

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And each day and night during this week you can get at any druggist's Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs, acknowledged to be the most successful remedy ever sold for coughs, croup, bronchitis, asthma and consumption. Get a bottle to-day and keep it always in the house, so you can check your cold at once. Price 25c. and 50c. Sample bottle free.

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We have them in great variety of styles, at prices that are sure to be low enough to suit, and of SHOES, our stock was never more complete at the One Price Shoe Store of

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DILL & COX, Attorneys and Counselors at Law, office No. 3 South street, Middletown N. Y., attend to all kinds of law business.

HENRY C. McBRAIR, D. D. S. Gas administered. Office over Savings Bank, Middletown, N. Y.

AUSTIN'S DYE HOUSE, 32 Wickham avenue. Ladies' dresses and capes, gents' suits and overcoats cleaned, dyed and pressed.

MUSICAL. Instruction on mandolin, piano, violin, guitar, banjo, flute by VINCENT MACGIO, 66 North street, second floor. d&wly

PHILIP A. RORTY, Counselor at law, 15 East Main street. Legal business of all kinds. Special attention to searching and collections. 67dtf

MRS. A. I. KROM, Clairvoyant, Central Building, corner North street and Railroad Ave. Entrance on Railroad avenue. Office hours 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. 92d1y Nov2,98

SPECIAL

Until Christmas we offer a rare bargain in a solid Gold Pen, in pearl holder, worth $2 in a 50c plush case, for the ridiculous price of

$1.25 EACH.

We have received direct from the manufacturers a new lot of Pocket-books, which we offer at 65c to $3 50. The selection bristles with Bargains. Some suggestions for gentlemen's gifts in

Military Sets!

in ebony and silver; also Smoking Sets, Umbrellas, Bear Taps, Key Chains and many other articles space will not allow us to mention. Make your selections early while stock is complete.

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TOMPKINS'

Big Store, No. 35 North Street.

Santa Claus with a little more circumference to his waist, a little more breadth to his face, a ruddier bloom on his cheeks, a little more snow on his beard, a merrier twinkle in his eye, a few more wrinkles on his brow, but the same plump chubby, jolly, beaming, brisk Santa Claus has been here. No need to tell you that. Evidences of his visit are as thick as autumnal leaves. For eleven months he has been thinking, planning querying, shafting, mining, building painting spinning, gilding and packing for all good boys and girls. He came to Tompkins', last night, in a gigantic sleigh, drawn by his fleet reindeers Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Cupid, Dunder and Blitzen. Toys were left for the children of Middletown to see and select from, and we have arranged so that when Christmas Day DAWNS their dreams of ownership will come true. No man or woman who loves a little child can be utterly miserable at this season of the year. Even the poorest can afford our price for toys. We gathered them from first hands throughout the toy manufacturing centres. From now until Christmas Eve the store will be under the thrall of holiday merchandise. The magic spell, so full of color and glamour, and light and laughter is on. This little list is a mere hint of what you may expect to find.

Magnetic Toys, Magic Lanterns, Doll Houses, Stoves, Rocking Horses, Trucks, Milk Wagons, Fire Engines, Hook and Ladder, Hose Carts, Patrol Wagons, Noah's Arks, Trains, Doll's Tables, Child's Blackboards, Desks, Ten Pins, Pianos, Tool Chests, Drums, Horns, Guns, Books, Puzzles, Tops, Banks, Tea Sets, Bureaus, Bedsteads, Stoves, Trumpets, Rattles, Extension Tables.

It is customary in toy stores and bookstores to sell toys and books at big profits; not so here. All go at small dry goods profits. It is not the profit on one single article, but the small commission on the great bulk of sales that count up in this big establishment.

We Sell Christmas Books

at half and two thirds less than exclusive dealers.

AT 10c each, Child's Board Covered Picture Books, worth 19c.

AT 19c each, Child's Board Picture Books, also a large one of Rosie Story Books and Novels, gilt trimmed, worth 35 to 45c each.

AT $1 each, Morocco Covered Oxford Bibles, a $2 50 book.

Games.

An assortment of all new Games 5, 10, 15 and 19c, just half what you pay for the same goods elsewhere. A, B, C Blocks 5, 10c to 50c.

IRON TOYS 10c to $2 00.

CHILDS BLACKBOARDS 75c and $1 35.

CHILDS OAK TABLES, CHILDS OAK WRITING DESKS.

Dolls and Dolls

Patent dolls, China dolls, bisque dolls, brunette dolls, Dutch dolls, jointed dolls, bisque head dolls, boy dolls, all kinds of dolls from 3c up.

Sets of Toy Dishes

of nice China prettily decorated, 35c kind, at Tompkins' 25c a set.

WASH BOWL AND PITCHER China Sets 10c to 50c a set.

NEW SATINS AND JAP. SILKS for fancy holiday presents. Satins 39c a yard, worth 50c.

A Very Special Event in Dress Goods.

There will be a good opportunity for obtaining Christmas gifts here this week. What could be more acceptable than a stylish dress pattern? Ask any woman and you will find out. This sale of fine Dress Patterns has been inaugurated especially for the benefit of Christmas shoppers in quest of seasonable goods. The assortment contains many excellent values in both black and colored materials, including novelties and plain fabrics, in many handsome designs and colorings. They come neatly folded into a package, with silk to match for trimmings in lengths sufficient for a full dress, and each has been marked at a great reduction from the regular price. Your choice from $2 25 to $3 50.

Black Surah Serge.

All wool and a very fine quality, regularly sold for 68c. This week, at Tompkins', 50c per yard.

Another Lot of Fine Imported Broadcloths.

50 inches wide, the season's best colors, elsewhere $1 50. At Tompkins', this week, 98c per yard.

Millinery Reductions

This is a clean sweep in the Millinery Department. Instead of waiting till after the holidays, we begin the cutting of prices now.

Ladies' Flannelette Night Gowns

made of good heavy flannelette, a 59c value. This week, at Tompkins', 39c each.

Men's Fine Flannelette Night Shirts,

a 69c value. At Tompkins' 50c each.

Blankets.

The great sale of Blankets, which we commenced last week, is to be continued this week. Very many pairs have already found purchasers, but there is still left from our large purchase a large assortment, in white and grey, as follows:

A regular 59c Blanket, 35c per pair.

75c for a regular $1 blanket.

$1 for the best $1 25 blanket, and

Fine $1 75 blankets for only $1 5.

California Blankets, perfect gems, strictly all wool, would be cheap at $6.50. Now marked at Tompkins' $3.98 per pair.

The Cloak Department is Worthy a Visit.

Even though we did not hold out special inducements, its full of suggestions for a dainty gown, and as for waists, suits jackets and furs, the place is filled to overflowing with the best at the lowest prices. In addition to which there are to be found very special sales here this week, which are amply able to preach their own moral.

Women's High Class Tailor-Made Jackets.

Lined with taffeta, strap seam, trimmed, some with velvet collars, cut double breasted and finished with pearl buttons, garments that are actually worth $10 to $12. Now marked down to $7 25 each.

Women's Fine Quality Seal Plush Capes,

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No Advance in Price of Admission

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Casino Theatre

Saturday, Dec. 17th

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Finest singers, dancers, acrobats and comedians.

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Tuesday — The Captain's Mate.

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Thursday—True as Steel.

Friday—The Buckeye.

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OUR LOCAL LEGISLATURE

ORANGE COUNTY'S BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN ANNUAL SESSION.

Getting Ready for the Day After the Big Time—Report of the Finance Committee Expenditures for Last Year—Sheriff's Bills Audited—Board of Prisoners Cost Nearly $10,000—Enos Denny's 28-Foot Bill Thrown Out—Annual Meeting Bill Passed—Other Matters.

Blooming Grove	Joseph E. Board
Chester	G. W. Fredericks
Cornwall	J. Ira Orr
Crawford	Samuel Robertson
Deerpark	W. H. Nearpass
Goshen	J. K. Wells
Greenville	Samuel V. Jones
Hamptonburgh	Charles B. Howell
Highlands	Louis F. Goodsell
Middletown—	
1st Ward	James E. Brasee
2nd Ward	Charles J. Boyd
3rd Ward	John E. Iseman
4th Ward	Nelson W. Wood
Minisink	C. W. Horton
Monroe	George K. Smith
Montgomery	I. H. Longbrake
Mount Hope	Charles W. Loomis
Newburgh City—	
1st Ward	Charles H. Weygant
2nd Ward	Henry B. Lawson
3rd Ward	George Mosher
4th Ward	W. H. Coldwell
5th Ward	Jonathan Taylor
6th Ward	J. E. Harrison
Newburgh Town	William H. Post
New Windsor	Walter Denniston
Tuxedo	Charles Patterson
Wallkill	James M. Horton
Warwick	Ira S. Smith
Wawayanda	John I. Bradley
Woodbury	John A. Patterson

Republicans in Roman, Democrats in small capitals.

GOSHEN, Dec. 14.—The supervisors having in mind the testimonial dinner to Chairman Goodsell cleared the clerk's desk, to-day. To-morrow there will come up no weighty matters for their consideration. They are wise with a wisdom born of experience.

Mr. Fredericks, chairman of the Finance Committee, filed the report of that body, this morning.

The committee reported that it had paid during the year $7,000 of the county bonds, which had been duly destroyed by burning. There remain outstanding $11,000 of county bonds, the last payment on which is due Feb. 1st, 1900.

The following is a synopsis of the expenses of the year ending Dec. 1st, 1898, amounting to $118,505 41

Supervisors' drafts paid	$ 63,380 67
County bonds and interest paid	7,555 00
Railroad taxes reserved by towns	1,475 08
Rebates incorporated companies for taxes paid comptroller	718 23
Printing proceedings of Board for 1897	938 87
Paid for destroying bills	10 07
Rent of Treasurer's office	125 00
Supply Committee's drafts	11,292 38
Building Committee's drafts	4,164 35
Insurance Committee's drafts	970 47
Workhouse Committee's drafts	1,120 94
Fox bounties paid	332 00
Paid for soldiers' burials	1,330 00
Paid for soldiers' headstones	1,920 00
Court expenses	12,537 62
Salaries of county officers	12 100 00
Total	$119,970 61

The report gives a credit of $1,465 20 for rents and for county property sold, leaving a balance of $118,505.41.

This was signed by all members of the committee. The committee consists of Messrs. Fredericks, Boyd, Iseman, Robertson and Mosher.

The superintendents will meet the Board Committee, Monday.

On motion of Mr. Boyd the clerk was directed to furnish the printer with a tabulated statement of the poor fund and the indebtedness of each town and city to Nov. 1st, 1898, and have the same inserted in the printed proceedings.

By resolution of Mr. Denniston the salary of the clerk was fixed at $6 00.

On motion of Mr. Wells, of Goshen, the Supervisors were authorized to enter upon their several tax rolls the amount of unpaid school taxes reported, with an addition of seven per cent.

The committee to examine the condition of the United States deposit fund reported that there was $6,800 there last year and that this had not been reduced. Mr. Howell is chairman of this committee.

The now famed 28-foot bill of Enos Denny, of Chester, was called up. The Law Committee reported that it was not a proper charge against the county, and on motion of Mr. Boyd it was sent back to the Supervisor from Chester.

The Board, this morning, ordered drafts drawn on the bills of the sheriffs as audited by the committee. Sheriff Strong will receive $9,016 37. Of this amount $6,249 75 is for board of prisoners at the rate of $3 25 per week and $1,440.65 for service bill. Under Sheriff Hock's total is $6 371 75, of which $3,549 is for board of prisoners and $1,895,08 is for service bill.

Ex-Sheriff Beakes will receive $1,334 24 for his unexpired term and former Under Sheriff Howell will get $845 62.

Mr. Nearpass does not agree with the Superintendents of the Poor that a certain pauper should be charged to Deerpark. It seems that the county has been taking care of the person for more than a year and has been keeping her and her three children in Deerpark. The superintendents now claim that she is a resident of Deerpark, having lived there more than a year and want to charge her up to that town. Mr. Nearpass cannot see things in just that light and this morning brought the matter up before the Board. It was sent to the Law Committee.

Mr. Boyd then called up Mr. Post's act for the annual meetings of the Board, which has been reported at some length in this column. It provides for the meeting and organization of the Board on the fourth Tuesday in January. Mr. Boyd stated that the city charter provided that the supervisors of Middletown would not take their seats until the first Tuesday in March, and that it would practically debar newly-elected members from taking part in the organization of the Board. It was suggested that Middletown's city charter might be amended this year to obviate this difficulty. The vote was taken and the bill passed, three Middletown members voting against it. Mr. Roberson cast the only other vote in opposition. Mr. Wood, of Middletown, voted for it.

Mr. Weygant, of Newburgh presented a bill for overpaid taxes to the amount of $849.49, which the courts had decided should be returned to the Pennsylvania Coal Company. It was referred to the Law Committee. Mr Weygant said the bill had been handed to him yesterday, by E. A. Brewster, of Newburgh, who was at that time in apparent robust health. Mr. Brewster died during the night. This was the first news the members of the Board had of the death of a prominent Orange county citizen, and one who was a personal friend to many of them.

There is a special order for Tuesday to consider the matter of improvements to the Goshen jail. Mr. Bradley suggested that the Board visit the jail in a body at noon, Monday. This was adopted.

Coroner Harding was the guest of the Coroners' Committee, this morning.

Ex Supervisor R. S. Tuthill, of Minisink, was present, to-day, and the Board adjourned after a very interesting session with him.

THE SOLDIERS' HOME COMING.

Convalescents Were to Leave Honolulu on December 11—First Detachment to Start From San Francisco at Noon, To-Day.

A San Francisco dispatch says that Honolulu advices of December 7th report the arrival there of the transport Scandia from Manila with many sick soldiers on board. The Scandia was expected to remain at Honolulu until December 11th, taking on coal and making repairs to machinery. She will bring from Honolulu the last three companies of the First New York and all the convalescents of the regiment, who are able to go.

Noon, to-day, was the time appointed for the departure of the first detachment of the regiment for their homes.

The four companies that arrived on the Alameda, Wednesday, went into camp at the Presidio. It is expected that they will be sent east in time to reach home by Christmas.

Private John P. Springstein, of Company C, of Albany, died in the Honolulu Military Hospital, December 5, of pneumonia.

A number of men who arrived Wednesday, as well as several who have been at San Francisco, were sent to the hospital suffering with intermittent malarial fever. In a few cases this has developed into typhoid. Fortunately, no new cases of illness have been reported in Company I.

COUNCIL'S SPECIAL MEETING.

Sewer Assessments Confirmed—Bank Asked to Bid for Tax Certificates.

The Common Council held a special session, Wednesday night, all members being present except Mr. O'Neal. On motion, the assessors were ordered to levy assessments for sewers, as follows:

Montgomery street	$780 14
Wickham avenue	263 93
Linden avenue and Hasbrouck street	1,718 89

The city clerk was instructed to solicit bids from the banks for the $16,090.40 of certificates of indebtedness, the issue of which was authorized by the taxpayers at the special election held last week.

Had an Unquenchable Thirst.

According to the Downsville *News*, a basket maker named Bloodgood, for want of anything stronger, drank forty-seven glasses of water in the hotel at Anna, Delaware county, a few days ago. Then he was taken with a chill and in order to warm up the little ocean he had imbibed, drank a quart and a half of hot water, dosed with three glasses of whiskey. He came out all right.

Barn and Contents Burned.

A barn on the property of Mrs. E. A. Kenworthy, a mile and a half north of Parksville, Sullivan County, was with its contents destroyed by fire, Friday. A horse, cow and calf perished in the flames. The building was owned by P. H. Woolsey, of Livingston Manor.

Erie's Holiday Excursion.

On Dec. 20 h. the Erie will run an excursion to New York at rate of $1.86 for round trip. Tickets will be good going on any morning train, Dec. 20th, and returning on any regular train (except No. 5) on or before Dec. 21st. dtod

CHESTER.

Officers Elected by Walton Hose Co.

Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

—At the annual meeting of Walton Hose Co. held on Tuesday evening, Dec 13, 1898, the following officers for the ensuing year was elected:

Foreman—Theodore A. Miller.
First Asst.—John R. Proctor.
Second Asst—Fred W. Wilkin.
Third Asst—J. D. Rutan.
Fourth Asst—G. F. Baker.
Secretary—Fred Murray.
Asst Sec.—Albert Wilkin.
President—G. M. Roe.
Vice President—R. P. Conklyn.
Treasurer—Freed Conklyn.
Trustee (three years)—C. H. Masten.
Chaplain—Rev. Edwin Hunt.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

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VERNON.

Lost a Horse—Box Social—Painful Injuries to the Eyes—Personal and Other Notes.

Correspondence of Argus and Mercury.

—Frank Lawrence had the misfortune to lose one of his valuable team horses, last Thursday night, from pneumonia.

—The box social at Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Webb's, last Thursday evening, was quite well attended and a good time was had by all present. The social was for the benefit of a Christmas tree for the Williamsville Sunday School children, for which cause about $30 has already been collected.

—J. M. Garlingh use and young son, Vernon, have been ill for the past week with severe colds.

—Smith Card met with a very painful accident, one day last week, by striking himself in the eye with a whiplash. The lid was badly cut and it was thought the sight was destroyed, but forturately such is not the case.

—Wm. Webb came near injuring his eye quite badly, one day last week, while chopping wood, by being hit in it with a piece of flying stick.

—Mrs. A. S. Blanchard was in Newton, Monday and Tuesday of this week.

—John Van Orden has been visiting in Stockholm for the past week.

—A. C. House, of San Francisco, Cal., but formerly of this place, is visiting with friends and relatives in town, after which he will locate in Newark, N. J.

—A. P. Shaw, who recently disposed of his farm to Frank Montross, will also sell his personal property at public auction, Saturday, Dec. 17.

WAWAYANDA.

A Bit of Weather Lore—Cold Weather Corn to Husk—Reported Highway Robbery—Other Notes.

Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

—I have noticed that if, after a storm, the snow is shaken from the trees by wind, the next storm that follows will be snow. If the snow melts and falls, the next storm will be rain.

—The temperature, Tuesday morning, was a frosty gallinipper.

—There are still hundreds of shocks of corn to be husked in this town. That means cold fingers for some one.

—It is rumored that, a few nights ago, a young man of this town, while returning from Middletown, was held up near Samuel Reed's and his pockets rifled.

—Curtis Carter's children mourn the death of a pet canary, on which a big cat pounced the other day.

—Miss Sweet, who teaches the Slate Hill school, has a large number of pupils who are making most satisfactory progress.

—In order to make fence posts last, the timber should be cut in February and after being dressed should be placed with the little ends down.

OTISVILLE.

Recovering From the Effects of a Serious Operation.

Correspondence of Argus and Mercury.

—For the benefit of Mrs. James Haines' friends and relatives, you may state that she is doing nicely, and that she is considered, by Dr Taylor, out of danger. She had no fever since the operation was performed, and her pulse has been running at 80 all the time. She takes now one quart of milk in twenty-four hours, and retains all of it without any inconvenience, and no pain. The tumors were purulent nature, and the operation was performed to save the patient's life, and is now considered a succes.

Died of His Injuries.

Merritt Mead, the nineteen year old son of Ralph Mead, of Finchville, who was run over by a pusher engine at Guymard, Thursday night of last week, died in the Port Jervis hospital, Tuesday night. His untimely death causes real sorrow to many friends.

The funeral will be held at Mount Salem, Saturday.

Many People Cannot Drink

coffee at night. It spoils their sleep. You can drink Grain-O when you please and sleep like a top. For Grain-O does not stimulate; it nourishes, cheers and feels. Yet it looks and tastes like the best coffee. For nervous persons, young people and children Grain-O is a perfect drink. Made from pure grains. Get a package from your grocer to-day. Try it in place of coffee. 15 and 25 cents.

The Homeliest Man in Middletown

As well as the handsomest, and others are invited to call on any druggists and get free a trial bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs, a remedy that is guaranteed to cure and relieve all chronic and acute coughs, asthma, bronchitis and consumption. Price 25 cents and 50 cents.

$100—Dr. E. Detchon's Anti-Diuretic.

May be worth to you more than $100 if you have a child who soils bedding from incontinence of water during sleep. Cures old and young alike. It arrests the trouble at once. $1. Sold by J. E. Mills, druggist, Middletown, N. Y.

Every family should have its household medicine chest—and the first bottle in it should be Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, Nature's remedy for coughs and colds.

"Cure the cough and save the life." Dr Wood's Norway Pine Syrup cures coughs and colds, down to the very verge of consumption.

Locate Your Bowels With Cascarets.

Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

Holiday Reduction Sale!

Christmas being so near at hand we begin, to-day, a special reduction sale all through our store to make it easy for every one, no matter how small the purse, to secure holiday presents, whether useful or ornamental, and the prices we have marked on the goods will be a surprise, even to those who have always known how reasonable our goods are sold

Pickings from Our Unparalleled Offerings.

Children's Suits, in vestee and reefer style, formerly sold at $1.50 and $1.69, special holiday price

98 CENTS EACH.

Children's Reefers, with sailor collars, and wide braid around collars and sleeves, formerly $2.00, special holiday price

$1.25.

Boys' Reefers, 12 to 16 Years, former Price $2.50, Now $1.59

Do., Former Price $3.75, Now $2.50.

Do., Former Price $5.50 Now $3.98.

Boys' Ulsters and Overcoats, former prices $3.50 to $5, special holiday price

$2.69 TO $6.00.

Men's Suits!

Men's Overcoats!

Men's Ulsters!

These goods all fine quality, all this season's goods, sold up till now from $5 to $15, special holiday price

$2.98 to $9.00.

Men's Heavy Undershirts 17c Each

Men's Heavy Overshirts 22c Each

Men's fine heavy ribbed fleeced Shirts and Drawers, former price 50c each, special holiday price

35 CENTS EACH.

Men's Cotton Socks, former price 5c., special holiday price

2 Cents a Pair.

Men's heavy Cotton Socks, former price 10 cents, special holiday price

4 CENTS A PAIR.

Men's all wool Socks, formerly 15c, special holiday price

7 Cents a Pair.

REMEMBER THAT THIS IS A SPECIAL HOLIDAY SALE

and Ends with the Day of Christmas.

Come this week, when you you can make your selections comfortably, as next week you know it will be hurry, push and worry.

This is our Trade Mark.

Budwig & Co.
8 NORTH ST
MIDDLETOWN, N.Y.

Look for it when you buy Clothing

d13,13,14,15&11,16

DAILY ARGUS

WEATHER INDICATIONS
BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON, D. C. Dec. 15.—Partly cloudy to-night and Friday; warmer southwesterly winds

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store to-day:
7 a. m., 18° 12 m., 30°. 3 p. m., 38°.

President McKinley's address at the Atlanta peace jubilee, Wednesday, was really the funeral oration of sectionalism.

A mob of Spanish women at Grenada stoned Columbus' statue, the other day, as the only way of getting even with him for discovering America. If that is the way the Spaniards feel toward the discoverer they might better have left his ashes in Havana. Their arrival in Spain may precipitate a crisis

Only 19,421,744 bushels of grain were carried through the Erie canal, this year, about 3,000,000 bushels less than last year. The railroads' business during the period of canal navigation was 92,886,968 bushels. These figures show how indisputably true it is that the canal has survived its usefulness. It is no longer a factor in the State's or city's effort to maintain commercial supremacy and no more money should be squandered on it.

Evidences multiply that Colonel Roosevelt means to be Governor in his own way. The suggestions of Platt, Odell and other machine leaders in regard to appointments are listened to with scant courtesy, and not one of them has been heeded. There seem to have been a good many strings to Colonel Roosevelt's statement at the Fifth Avenue Hotel conference that in party matters he would consult Senator Platt and other recognized leaders of the party.

Through some terrible oversight Superintendent McCullagh failed to expend $13,732 of the $160,000 appropriated at the special session of the legislature for supervising the election in Greater New York in the interest of the Republicans. The knowledge that a few more Republican heelers might have been employed at $5 a day must cause profound distress to the horde of hungry place seekers who did not get a share in the distribution of this $160,000 swag.

TO WELCOME OUR SOLDIERS.

Meeting of the Citizens' Committee—Plans for the Reception Discussed—A Committee Appointed to Act With Representatives of the Firemen and Military Organizations.

The meeting of the citizens' committee at the council room, Wednesday, in the matter of receiving Company I. was attended by the following: Mayor Mance, C. Macardell, Sr., Seymour DeWitt, C. L. Elwood, Ira L. Case, J. C. R. Taylor, B. S. Dayton, John W. Stinson, J. D. Stivers, E. L. Sprout, A. E. Ludington, J. E. Gibbs, Chas. Higham, L. S. Wisner, Fred S. Rogers, F. O. Rockafellow, W. C. F. Bastian, W. N. Knapp.

The following members of the committee appointed at the armory, Tuesday evening, were also present: E. Rose, D. H. Keeler, Jr., Daniel Schmitt, G. W. Reed and R. W. Lindsey.

All members of the Common Council, except Alderman O'Neil, were in attendance. The city clergymen were represented by Revs. Messrs Wilson, Emery and Morton. John Elliott Swan and John F. Bradnet, of the Citizens' Committee being unable to attend, sent their regrets to Mayor Mance, expressing hearty sympathy with the movement, and their willingness to assist in any way possible.

Mayor Mance called the meeting to order, but asked to be excused from acting in the capacity of chairman, to which position he had been appointed, Monday evening, owing to illness. He said he was in thorough sympathy with the movement, but did not feel that he could assume the responsible position of permanent chairman, owing to his physical condition, and requested that the meeting name a presiding officer.

C. Macardell, Sr., was named, but declined the honor, stating that he thought the place should be filled by a younger man.

On motion of Mr Elwood, J. E. Gibbs was made chairman. J. D. Stivers was named as secretary.

After Mr Gibbs had stated the object of the meeting short speeches were made by Messrs. Rose, Elwood, Macardell, Case, Mayor Mance, Bastian, and Rev Mr Emery.

It seemed to be the universal opinion of the speakers that a rousing reception should be accorded the soldiers when they reach here, but that the proposed banquet should be postponed for at least a week after their arrival, to enable them to rest up from their long, tedious journey and spend a little time with their families. It is certain that when the members of Company I put in an appearance here they will be greeted by such a demonstration as shall assure them of the [illegible] and our citizens [illegible] the [illegible] boys' have made and the joy will thrill every Middletowner's h[illegible] their return.

On motion of Mr Bastian Chairman Gibbs was [illegible] a committee of [illegible] to act in connection with the [illegible] appointed at the armory meeting.

Chairman Gibbs has announced the following committee: C. L. Elwood, H. C. Benson, Fred S. Rogers, Wm Seebal[illegible], Harry M. Hayes, Chas. Higham, E. W. Van Duzer.

The committee will at once begin to solicit subscriptions for defraying the necessary expenses of the proposed reception. Any one wishing to contribute and on whom the committee may not be able to call, may hand their subscriptions to Seymour DeWitt, at the First National Bank, or leave them at this office.

The committee will meet at the council chamber at 8 o'clock, this evening.

SERGEANT WENGENROTH HOME.

Reached This City on the O. and W., Wednesday Night—Weak and Thin and Tired But Will Soon Be All Right.

Sergeant Louis F. Wengenroth, of Company I, First Regiment, reached here, Wednesday night, on O. and W., No. 6. The train was nearly four hours late and did not reach here until about 11 o'clock. He was met at the train by relatives and taken to his home in a coach, where he at once retired.

The sergeant is very weak, and weighs thirty-one pounds less than he did on leaving here, but with home care will, it is hoped, soon pull himself together. He was in the hospital at Salt Lake City for three weeks and he speaks very highly of his treatment there. Three former Middletowners visited him there, Sidney Evans and Charles and Knox Bodle.

News of the Sergeant's home coming had been spread abroad during the afternoon and a large crowd of his friends was in waiting when Erie train 8 came in. Many others assembled at the O. and W. station at 6.33, when the New York Limited was due, but they dispersed when they found how late the train was.

FREE READING FOR FARMERS.

How Farmers May Avail Themselves of the State's Free Reading Course.

Every farmer may avail himself of the privileges of the Nixon bill for University Extension of agricultural knowledge. Address Reading-Course, College of Agriculture, Ithaca, N. Y., for a plan of a Farmers' Course of reading for these winter evening. Several thousand farmers are now following this course. The topics relate to the farmer's occupation. After reading on questions, a discussion with the College of Agriculture will follow. Suggestions are given for the formation of reading circles. Much has been said about the practical nature of scientific agriculture. Some simple experiments will be urged upon all readers by which to test the truth of the principles taught. In these times of fierce competition, the strong are constantly becoming stronger, and no farmer should neglect any chance for gaining professional strength. If he does and falls behind, he has no one to blame but himself. Under the Nixon bill there is no expense to those taking up this course of reading. The reading matter is furnished free.

A Merchant's Generous Gift.

L. Stern, the well known North street merchant, has presented twenty eight cloaks (ladies', misses' and children's sizes) to the Woman's Missionary Union for distribution among the worthy poor of the city.

WOULDN'T DOCK OUR SHIP.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

ST. THOMAS Dec 15.—The United States quartermaster's steamer, Gypsum King, arrived here, yesterday from Porto Rico, in order to be docked, but has been prevented from doing so by the Danish Government officials, who take the ground that it would be a violation of the neutrality laws to permit her to do so. The officials, however, have cabled Copenhagen for instructions.

KANSAS TO REGULATE RAILROAD CHARGES.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

TOPEKA, Kansas, Dec. 15.—The proclamation calling the much-talked of extra session of the Kansas legislature to pass the proposed Populist measures for the regulation of railroad charges was issued to-day by Gov Leedy naming Dec 21st.

PENSION BILL PASSED

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON Dec 15.—The House, to-day, passed the pension appropriation bill in less than twenty minutes—the shortest time on record. The bill calls for $141,223,830.

SPAIN TO PAY CUBAN DEBT COUPONS

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

MADRID, Dec. 15.—The Spanish Government has agreed to pay the January coupon of the Cuban debt.

WALDEN

Officers of Fairchild Post G. A. R.

—At the annual encampment of Fairchild Post No 564 G. A. R. the following officers were elected, Commander, John R. Hays. Senior Vice Commander, C. G. Hunt, Junior Vice Commander, C. B. Fowler, Quartermaster, Benjamin Brown, Surgeon Jefferson Wells, Chaplain, Charles Denny, Officer of the Day D. A. Cook, Officer of Guard, Peter Beam. Delegate to State Encampment Chas G. Hunt, Alternate, Henry Matthews.

It is said that the soldiers who had taken Hobdell's Sarsaparilla stood the long marches in Cuba much better than the others.

MARRIED

BARCOCK—RALSTON—At Walden Dec 14th by Rev C. H. Park, Frank Babcock of near Milltown and Ella J. Ralston, of Bloomingburgh.

Thin hair is starved hair.

Ayer's Hair Vigor

is food for starved hair.

Have You Seen the Great HOLIDAY DISPLAY! AT Churchill's, 39 North St.

10,000 Articles of the Newest, Prettiest Kinds.

ALL NOVELTIES AT NOVEL PRICES

10,000 Handkerchiefs, 5 to 50c., to Suit Everybody.

H. E. CHURCHILL & CO., No. 39 North Street.

GREAT CUT AT The Manhattan Market, NO. 148 NORTH STREET.

Choice Steak 10c a lb. Sirloin Steak 16c a lb.
Roast Pork 8 and 9c a lb. Pork Steak 3 lbs. 25c.
Spring chickens 12½c lb Shoulders Lamb 7c lb.
Legs Lamb 12½c a lb Pot Roasts 5 to 10c lb.
Hamburg Steak 15c a lb.
G. A. BEHME H. ERMSHAR, Proprietors.
18d1y Dec2'99

A Sensible Christmas Gift!

And always acceptable for either Ladies' or Gents' is KID GLOVES. We carry the greatest stock to be found in our section at a dollar. We show you the "Lorient" which is the best real Kid made at the price, or the "Chester," a 2 clasp, pique back, for street wear. Mackintoshes, Umbrellas and Handkerchiefs are also very appropriate. We can please you in styles and prices.

CARSON & TOWNER, No. 11 West Main Street. Telephone 166.

Great Reduction Sale OF BOYS' AND MEN'S CLOTHING NOW ON!

Men's Suits $1.75. Boys' Overcoats 50c.
Childs' Overcoats 63c. Childs' Suits 75c.
Men's Derbys 10c. Earl & Wilson's Collars 5c.

BOYS' WINTER CAPS 5C. FANCY SHIRTS 45C. MEN'S JACKETS 25C.

Luzern All Wool Underwear, Former Prices $1.50, Reduction Price 75c
Natural Wool, Former Prices 50c., Reduction Price 35c.

Men's Ulsters $2.25.

CUSTOM DEPARTMENT.

$24.00 SUITS REDUCED TO $17.
$22.00 SUITS REDUCED TO $15.
$ 6.50 TROUSERS REDUCED TO $ 5.
$ 5.00 TROUSERS REDUCED TO $ 4.

Similar Reductions in All Lines.

ADAMS & BOYD, No. 41 North Street, Middletown

Holiday Hints FROM OUR ATTRACTIVE STOCK:

Books for all ages, Music Rolls,
Photograph Albums, Fountain Pens,
Teachers' Bibles, Dictionary Holders,
Pocket Books and Purses, Fancy Boxes of Paper.
Card Cases, with gold and silver mountings, Collar and Cuff Boxes,
Gold Pens, Framed Pictures,
Writing Tablets, Toilet Sets, leather and celluloid,
Prayers and Hymnals, Fine Ink Stands,
Hand Glasses, Diaries for 1899,
Kodaks and Cameras, Christmas Cards and Booklets,
Choice Medications, Calendars for 1899.
Games, Building Blocks,

Subscriptions taken for all publications and mailed direct to any address.

Hanford & Horton, No. 6 North St., Middletown.

SLIPPERS!

A Suitable and Pleasing Gift.

As usual we are headquarters for them. Handsome Embroidered 49c and up; Ladies' Warm Lined Slippers, for cold feet, 50c and up. Everything in the footwear line to take solid comfort in by following the footprints to

C. D. Hanford's, No. 43 North Street.

TRESPASS NOTICE SIGNS FOUR FOR $1.00
At least three of certain size required by law. Get two or more neighbors to order with you and save freight as we pay it on 12 or more signs.
G. F. HARDING,
Sign Works, Wurtsboro, N. Y.

A Good Man Wanted.

A good opportunity for the right man for Orange county or local district, as preferred. Wanted a man well and favorably known, (practical man preferred) to sell on commission, Billings, King & Co's High Grade Paints and Varnishes. Apply with references and full particulars of our specialties, to BILLINGS, KING & CO., 42 Cortlandt St., New York City. A prompt, permanent position will receive from us valuable hints on painting and varnishing. dFri 16Julg1'99

WOULDN'T SOME WARMER Underclothing COME IN HANDY JUST NOW?

We are prepared to fill your wants in Underwear that is well made, perfectly shaped and priced right. All sizes and qualities.

IT'S BLANKET WEATHER.

The sharp air between night and morning tells you that a warm, wooly Blanket wouldn't be amiss. All wool, part wool and cotton, and a price list that will cover every purse.

Hosiery Hints!

Cotton and wool. Women's goods in wool, cotton and fleece lined. Men's goods in all wool, cotton and wool mixed, and all cotton. Children's goods in all sizes and qualities. Some extra strong stockings for the boys.

We have the latest styles in Gents' Puffs and Bows.

J. D. HORTON, AGT., No. 27 West Main Street

20 CENTS PER POUND ELGIN CREAMERY BUTTER
20 CENTS PER ½ BARREL SACK EXTRA FINE FLOUR.
A. F. TODD, 121 North St.

Holiday Talk for Men and Boys.

We have been making big preparations for several weeks, and now show the greatest display of useful presents, for men or boys, in this city. A few suggestions.

Overcoats, Suits, Hats, House Coats, Bath Robes,

SHIRTS, MACKINTOSHES, CANES, UMBRELLAS, MUFFLERS,

Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, Suspenders, Kid and Fur Gloves

OUR CELEBRATION SALE!

We will continue our prices as advertised for our sale until Dec. 17th.

Buy your presents before that date.

MORRIS B. WOLF. "The Blue Front Store," No. 10 NORTH STREET.

AT STERN'S—Something Worth Reading.

WE HAVE BOUGHT THE ENTIRE STOCK OF

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Cloaks!

from a first-class manufacturer, at just half price, and are putting them on sale at exactly half former prices. Remember these are all new and first-class goods. There are about 500 in the lot. A great chance for late buyers. We are going out of the yarn business, having a lot of all shades of best quality Saxony and Germantown, will sell at half price—Saxony 5c a skein and Germantown at 8c a skein. Come while the assortment lasts.

L. STERN. 13-15 NORTH ST.

DON'T

go to New York city to

Buy Your Christmas Presents!

until you have looked through our mammoth assortment from 5 cents up.

SEE OUR 5, 10, 15, 25, 50C COUNTERS,

and when you get to our fine goods in

Furniture and Crockery,

we will discount any prices on earth. Call and see.

C. EMMET CRAWFORD,

44-46 North Street

Also Newburgh and Port Jervis

WHO LOVES not the sweet scent of ORCHARDS, ROSES, VIOLETS, LILAC—the wee wild ARBUTUS—all the sweet flowers of May and June?

Who loves their fragrance less in midwinter?

At CHRISTMAS time we offer you the perfume of flowers in all their midsummer freshness.

What more acceptable gift for maid or matron?

And the dainty crystal vials holding them—so worthy their precious contents—cut glass bottles in perfect taste and in all sizes for all purses?

Our special odors are ITALIAN VIOLET, APPLE BLOSSOM and ARBUTUS (others for varying tastes). Our TOILET COLOGNES are FLORIDA WATER, SWEET BRIER and others Each and all are our own make—better quality and lower prices result to you—larger sales to us.

Our SPECIAL PERFUME sale at CHRISTMAS is a welcome boon to the puzzled searcher.

For 25 cents you buy a pretty package—for 75 cents a "gem," but regardless of price or size your gift is perfect in its way—quality the best in the world.

For it's with the many people we find our patrons—it's the masses whom we wish as customers.

COME AND SEE!

McMonagle & Rogers, 30 North St. and 155 North St. (North Side Pharmacy.)

Christmas Presents.

We have been six months in selecting our present holiday stock, with the result that such a variety has seldom if ever, been displayed this side of New York.

FRENCH CHINA.

Our own importation. Rather than run the risk of carrying any of these goods over another season we have marked the prices at a very small profit.

LAMPS.

These have been displayed in our windows, as the different styles arrived, and the fact that we have been compelled to duplicate our orders is evident that the line is not surpassed.

ROCKERS.

We have selected from many manufacturers their very best patterns, and have most any kind you want and at all prices.

PARLOR TABLES,

Made in different woods—as elegant as we could find. So many different styles and prices that we are bound to satisfy.

PICTURES.

All kinds, and purchased just for the holiday trade. MUSIC CABINETS, WRITING DESKS, BOOK CASES RUGS ODD PIECES IN FURNITURE and CROCKERY 10, 15, 25 and 50 cent move them. Before buying elsewhere please examine our stock, and if the prices are not the lowest ever offered in this city we won't urge you to buy. Goods shipped prepaid and delivered any time you desire

The Cheapest House Furnishers.

FRANCE & HATHAWAY,

25 AND 27 EAST MAIN STREET

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

—Fine overcoats at Mayer Bros'.
—Harness overlaps at John T. Ogden & Son's
—Sewing Dramatic Co. next week.
—Holiday presents at Chas. Wolff, Jr.'s.
—Auction at Geo. W. Young's Monday.
—Christmas gifts at Carson & Towner's
—Sugar and Bone clean at J. W. Sloat's.
—New Cottage Theatre Artists
Fine perfumery at W. D. Olney's.
—You can pay your taxes.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—*Additional local matter will be found on the second and third pages, to-day.*

—The Misses Howland's concert at the Casino, to-night.

—"A Bachelor's Honeymoon" at the Casino, to-morrow night.

—Fine bon bons and chocolates at Laskaris' Palace Confectionery, 34 North street. dtf

—Arlington Ambler displays in his window a Spanish schnapuel shell which attracts much attention.

—Tickets for the "Chimes of Normandy" are now on sale at H. S. Dusenberry & Son's and Braduck's Music Store.

—Fresh peanut brittle, cocoanut brittle and chewing taffy at Laskaris', 34 North street and 17 West Main street. tf

—Addison C. Ormsbee and Henry Kobl, two young Newburgh lawyers of ability and integrity, have formed a partnership.

—Geo. W. Young announces that he will begin, Monday, to sell the balance of his clothing and furnishing goods at auction.

—A party of hunters who were at Kaisertown, Wednesday, report seeing two robins, a very unusual occurrence for Dec. 14.

—No better music will be heard in this city, this winter, than can be heard at the Misses Howland's concert at the Casino, to-night.

—Guy Bros.' Minstrels will be the attraction at the Casino, Saturday evening. Prices 25, 35 and 50 cents. Boxes and loges 75 cents.

—Owing to the coming of the Company I boys, Lancelot Lodge has concluded to postpone the smoker, set for December 20, indefinitely.

—The only chance that Middletowners will have of hearing Grant Odell, this winter, will be at the Misses Howland's concert, at the Casino, to-night.

—Charles St. John will entertain the commercial travelers of the country at a banquet at his Piney Woods' Inn, at Southern Pines, N. C., Jan. 9, 1899

—Raking for suckers is now in vogue along the Delaware and its tributaries. At Downsville, Monday, nearly 200, nine or ten inches long, were taken from one eddy.

—The German Lutheran Church is preparing a fine programme for its concert, Thursday, of next week, Dec. 22, at the Assembly Rooms. Admission is only twenty-five cents.

—John Morton, of Oneonta, was hit in the eye, some time since, by a cork which flew from a bottle of "pop" he was opening. It was necessary, last week, to remove the injured eye.

—Miss Bessie Rogers, who has delighted Middletown audiences on several occasions by her effective recitations, will be heard at the Misses Howland's concert at the Casino, to-night.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Second Presbyterian Church will be held at the home of Mrs. Smith Everitt, 6 Houston avenue, on Friday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

—Forty-nine cases of typhoid fever were reported in Paterson during the first half of December. The health authorities have issued a warning that all water used for drinking or culinary purposes should be boiled.

—Remember one of the funniest plays ever seen in this city will be produced at the Casino, to-morrow night, when "A Bachelor's Honeymoon" will be produced. This play is said to contain some of the best talent in the comedy line.

—The Sawtelle Dramatic Co., is billed to appear at the Casino all next week at 10, 20 and 30 cents. There will be the usual ladies' tickets for Monday evening, and a matinee will be given Saturday afternoon for school children, at which the prices will be 10 cents for children and 20 cents for adults.

—"A Bachelor's Honeymoon," one of the funniest of all recent plays, is to be produced at the Casino, to-morrow evening, by a special cast of players carefully selected for the particular parts. Nothing any funnier than this play has been presented on the American stage and the names mentioned or those who are to fill the parts are such as to give promise of a most excellent performance.

PERSONAL.

—George R. Graham, of Goshen, was in this city to-day on business.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barnes went to New York, to-day, for a few days.

—Mrs. E. M. Madden is quite seriously ill from the effects of an attack of grip.

—Mrs. Moffet is confined to her room at "The Moffet," by a severe attack of grip.

—Presiding Elder Schriver, of the Newburgh District, went to Monticello, to-day.

—John Vanflorn, of Ellenville, a native of Middletown, is here on a visit to relatives and friends.

—Mrs. Charles Horton, who has been visiting relatives at East Orange, N. J., returned, Wednesday night.

—Mr. and Mrs. James H. Lawrence are celebrating the fifty-sixth anniversary of their wedding, to-day, at their home, No. 201 North street.

DINNER TO L. F. GOODSELL

SUPERVISORS HONOR THEIR CHAIRMAN AND SENATOR-ELECT.

Dainty Set Tables and a Royal Feast—Supervisors Who Were Present and Their Guests—The Guest of Honor Eulogized and Complimented by Many Speakers—Some of the Good Things Said in Evening That Is Enjoyed.

Wednesday night was "Goodsell night" at Goshen. The Board of Supervisors, of which Senator-elect Louis F. Goodsell has been a member for eleven years, and of which he is now chairman, gave a swell dinner at the St Elmo in his honor, and the "wildcat table" contingent and the others did not let him forget that he was the guest of honor. They cheered him, they complimented him, and they "how-dy-I-amed" him until he must have had to set the screws upon his head to prevent its swelling. Such a representative gathering for such a purpose has not marked the history of Orange county in many a day. The old saying that a prophet is without honor in his own community is not applicable to Senator-elect Goodsell, judging from the fine things said of him before, during and after the dinner.

Each Supervisor was allowed to invite a guest, and some of the older members, or men-with-the-big-pull, managed to slip in an extra one, until in all seventy-three well known citizens of Orange county sat around "Boss" Hock's prettily set tables and discussed the excellent menu prepared by Mrs Hock and served by a "bevy of beautiful girls" as an impressionable supervisor put it, and listened to the music of popping corks as played by Wood Pitts at frequent intervals with telling effect on the spirits of the company.

It was a great night. Next to the guest of honor, who accepted the nice things said of him by his friends most gracefully and modestly, interest centered in the other guests of the supervisors. They came from every town in the county and they enjoyed the event thoroughly—and none more so than those who by design or lucky fate were placed at the "wild cat" table. The "Indians" there made the fun of the evening. They jollied the speakers, got off witty remarks and kept the waitresses in a terrible state of unrest.

The tables, four in number, were set around the sides of the room. Senator-elect Goodsell occupied the centre seat at the head table, the others there being Supervisors Loughran, Moshier, Ira S. Smith, Boyd and guests Surrogate O. P. Howell, W. H. Rogers, of this city, Supt. of the Poor Hasbrouck and ex-Supervisor R. S. Tuthill, of Minisink.

At the other end of the room, where all of the fun emanated, was a table held up by the following: Supervisors Fredericks, Lawson, Coldwell, Wood, Brazee, Jones, James M. Horton, Official Reporter James E. Lundy and the guests: Supervisor-elect John A. Wallace, E. D Tompkins, Daniel Finn, John F. Bradner, and W. F. Bailey, of this city; A. H. F. Seager and E. C. Ross, of Newburgh; Geo. Grier, Under Sheriff Hock, County Clerk Taggart, Geo. A. Price, of Cornwall, J Erskine Ward, of Crawford.

On the side tables were the following in the order named: John A. Elston, Henry Yerg, W. H. Wyker, Supervisor Wells, of Goshen; Dr. Bush and Mr. Hall, of Newburgh; Supervisor Wevgant, ex-Mayor Daniel H. Bailey, Supervisor Iseman, S. S. Van Saun, of Warwick; ex-Sheriff Clausen, Sheriff Strong; F. R. Salmon and E. Sumner, of Port Jervis; Joseph Denning, of Wawayanda, Supervisor Bradley; Chief of Police Bush, of Tuxedo; Supervisor Charles Patterson, school Commissioner Rivenburgh, H. B. Fullerton, Supervisor Nearpass, Supervisor Post, Supervisor Loomis; J. M. Everett, Otisville; County Treasurer Mead, Dr. Snyder, Newburgh; Coroner Perrott, Clerk Stubley, Supervisor Taylor, Supervisor Denniston, Geo McCartney, New Windsor; ex-Sheriff Alexander, Supervisor Orr, H. R. Taylor, Cornwall; Coroner Harding, Supt. of the Poor Sutherland, Supervisor John Patterson, Supt. of the Poor C. B. Wood, W. A. Lawrence and Mr. Durland, of Chester; Chas. T. Knight and Mr. Seaman, of Monroe.

The menu as served was as follows:

Testimonial Dinner
to
Hon Louis F Goodsell, Chairman,
by the members of the
Board of Supervisors of Orange Co.,
at
St. Elmo Hotel, Goshen, N. Y.
Wednesday Evening, Dec. 14th, 1898.

MENU.

OYSTERS.

Buzzard Bays on the Half Shell.

SOUP

Mock Turtle.

FISH.

Boiled Columbia River Salmon, Parsley Sauce.
Parisienne Potatoes.

RELISHES.

Olives. Celery. Lettuce.

ENTREE.

Fillet of Beef with Mushroom Sauce.
French Peas.

ROAST.

Quail on Toast, Currant Jelly.
Spaghetti. Potato Croquettes.

SALAD.

Chicken en Mayonaise.

Ice Cream, Neapolitan.

Macaroons Lady Fingers.
Fruit Cake Angel Cake.

FRUIT.

Oranges Bananas. Grapes.
Roquefort Cheese Cafe Noir. Cigars.

During the progress of the dinner an orchestra played popular selections and Messrs. Brazee, Taggart, Fredericks and Coldwell kept the diners in fine spirits. Supervisor Loughran, who was toastmaster, then opened the speechmaking by stating that the dinner was given in honor of the man who had "so long and ably represented the town of Highlands in the county legislature, and who had been elevated to the senatorship from this district and would hereafter legislate at Albany." He concluded with:

Let us arise and drink to the health of our friend, our companion, our senator, and may our wish to him be in the proverbial words of good old Rip Van Winkle, "may he live long and prosper."

Every member and every guest in the room arose and responding to the toast, gave three hearty cheers for Mr. Goodsell.

When the cheering crowd subsided, one of the "wild cats" called out: "And he's a 'beaut'," and the rest of the cats echoed, "He is." There were continuous cries of "Goodsell! Goodsell!" and the senator-elect arose and modestly acknowledged the friendly and appreciative utterances of his friends, thanked them for the honor accorded him by the dinner, and asked H. B. Fullerton to express his appreciation of the event.

Mr. Fullerton spoke at considerable length, and was frequently applauded.

He was followed by Col. Weygant, who said nice things nicely, and made the guests and supervisors laugh, when he said, "that every time they put up a new building in Middletown, they take off $100 of their assessed valuation."

Judge Wyker was asked to defend the village of Goshen from a shot given by the previous speaker, and he said that he was good at defending people. Only the day before he "defended a man from Middletown and he got fifteen years in Sing Sing." He piled bouquets of oratory all over the guest of honor, causing him to half turn in his chair to hide the blushes which would come.

Supervisor Iseman was the next speaker, and he said that to have been like Mr. Goodsell, chairman of the supervisors for three successive terms, and have the good will of every supervisor, was a record to be proud of. He had very pleasant relations with Mr. Goodsell, both as chairman and as a member of the Ratio Committee. All the supervisors from this city of "boulevards and water fronts" had enjoyed most pleasant relations with the chairman. He referred to the fact that "Mr. Goodsell is going to Albany to represent the queen county of the State of New York; to represent more intelligence, more wealth and more respectability than can be found anywhere outside of the city of New York."

Assistant District Attorney A. H. F. Seegar and John F. Bradner closed the speech making with more congratulatory remarks.

IN THE COUNTY COURT.

A Port Jervis Man Convicted of Receiving Stolen Goods—Sentence Suspended on a Young Offender—A "Promoter" on Trial.

The attention of the County Court was taken up entirely, Wednesday, by a Port Jervis case, that of William H. Arnett, an Erie switchman, charged with stealing five barrels of flour and 500 pounds of middlings from an Erie car. H. B. Fullerton, who defended the prisoner, introduced some strong testimony in his behalf, tending to cast a doubt over the matter, but the fact that the flour was found on Arnett's premises, that he knew of it, and did not at once report it, and the further fact that although Mrs. Arnett knew of it she did not inform the officers of its presence in an outhouse until after they had searched the dwelling house, under her guidance, convinced the jury that if Arnett did not steal it he at least was guilty of receiving stolen goods, and they so found, adding a recommendation for mercy.

When the verdict was announced, the prisoner's wife, who was in the court room, made a scene by crying, screaming and indulging in a fit of hysterics that made it impossible for the business of the court to proceed until she was removed from the room.

GOSHEN, Dec. 15.—The time of the court has been occupied, to-day, in the trial of Stephen L. Mershon, who, with W. J. Robinson, is indicted for forgery in the second degree and grand larceny in the first degree in obtaining a blank signed check from the Hudson River Paint Co., of Newburgh, which they filled out for $2,767.47, the amount of a bill which they claimed was due them for gypsum furnished the company, and on which they got the money. Though both men are indicted for the same offenses, they will be tried separately.

The only witness examined, this morning, was R. C. Whitehill, secretary of the paint company.

Patrick Kennedy, indicted for robbing the Townsend paper mills, near Newburgh, plended guilty, and being only a boy, sentence was suspended.

Real Estate Notes.

—Through the real estate agency of Gardner & McWilliams, Hezekiah C. Newman, of the town of Goshen, has exchanged his farm of forty acres near Winterton station, with Wm. R. Rodgers, of this city, for his new house and lot on Royce avenue.

First Christmas Trees of the Season.

The first load of Christmas trees reached town, to-day. They came from the Shawangunk mountains and were an unusually nice lot, but the prices asked for them were so high that the sale for them was slow.

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with rich and poor alike—the rich man in a rush to keep ahead—the poor man in a rush to keep up—and dyspepsia a common companion—Dr. Von Stan's Pineapple Tablets keep the stomach sweet, the nerves steady and insure health—they're vegetable pepsin and Nature's most potent aid to keeping well. Price 35 cents.

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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Christmas Sale—August Lippert's Funeral—Returned to New York—G. A. R. Post Inspection—Other Notes.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—The sale of fancy articles at the Presbyterian chapel is being held, this afternoon.

—The funeral of Gus. Lippert was largely attended, Wednesday afternoon. It was in charge of the Masons and Odd Fellows. Three of the pall bearers were Masons and three were Odd Fellows. They were John Hansen, Chris. Hansen, H. S. Chardavoyne, masons; Harry O'Neal, W. L. Hyatt, J. H. Conklin, Odd Fellows.

—Mrs. S. T. Matthews and daughter have gone to New York for the winter.

—A. B. Wheeler, of Middletown, will inspect F. M. Cummins Post, G. A. R., to-night.

—Miss Etta Crans has resumed her duties in H. B. Seely's store after three months' vacation.

—William Cody has taken a position as baggagemaster on the Southern Railroad in Kentucky.

HYMENEAL.

Bogart—Storch.

Charles C. Bogart and Miss Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Storch, were married, Wednesday afternoon, at the home of the bride's parents, on East Main street. Rev. David Winters officiated, and the only witnesses were the immediate families of the parties. They left on Erie No. 2 for New York, and a reception will follow their return here.

The marriage was a surprise to most of the friends of the parties, and that Mr. Bogart succeeded in getting away on the honeymoon trip without a proper "send off" is a matter of sincere regret to his friends.

Mr. Bogart is a popular and capable salesman for Francis H. Leggett & Co., of New York, and a member of Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company.

Miss Storch is popular in Middletown society. She is a well known singer and a member of Grace Church.

Cards have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. Bogart announcing an "At Home," Thursday, December 29, from 8 until 11, at 23 Prospect street.

A Brilliant and Beautiful Sunrise.

Those who were up betimes, this morning, saw a most beautiful sunrise. The riven clouds along the eastern heavens were all aflame with brilliant reds which glowed and grew more vivid as the sun drew nearer the horizon, while from the sun there shot straight up toward the zenith, across clouds and cloudless spaces and far beyond the cloud bank, a beam of bright red flame.

Special Meeting of Hudson Presbytery

A special meeting of the Presbytery of Hudson will be held at the Central Church, Haverstraw, Dec. 22, at 6:30 o'clock, to receive Rev. Geo. H. Bonsell, act upon his call to the Central Church and, if the way be clear, install him as its pastor.

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DOWAGER'S "DRAWING ROOM."

Ruler of China Receives Wives of Foreign Representatives.

PEKING, Dec. 15.—The empress dowager granted yesterday an audience to the wives of the foreign embassadors and ministers. The ladies assembled at the British legation and went to the palace. At the entrance a group of gorgeously arrayed mandarins met them and conducted them to the great hall, from which several Chinese ladies conducted them to the audience chamber.

The empress dowager was seated upon a dais behind a table decorated with chrysanthemums and apples, with the emperor at her left hand.

Lady Claude Macdonald, wife of the British minister, as doyenne of the diplomatic corps, read a speech in English expressing her pleasure and that of the other ladies at having an opportunity to tender their congratulations to the empress dowager on her birthday and expressing the hope that their step might be followed by the ladies of China.

The empress dowager having returned thanks, the ladies mounted the dais and bowed before her and the emperor. Her majesty then presented each with a ring of pearl and gold, which she herself placed upon the recipient's finger, after which the foreign ladies retired to an adjoining hall, where a sumptuous Chinese luncheon was served, Princess Ching presiding.

After luncheon a crowd of princesses and palace attendants entered the hall, followed by the empress dowager, accompanied by the empress.

The empress dowager conversed with the foreign ladies, telling them she hoped they would enjoy their visit. When tea was served, she drank from each lady's cup, and shortly afterward, in a burst of womanly emotion, embraced her visitors.

WOOD STOPS A DUEL.

Two Quarrelsome Cuban Editors Arrested.

SANTIAGO, Dec. 15.—General Leonard Wood, military governor of the department of Santiago, stopped a duel yesterday that had been arranged between Senor Trujillo, editor of El Porvenir, and Senor Colona, editor of Cuba Libre. An article recently appeared in Independencia abusing Senor Trujillo, charging him with being a swindler and accusing him of numerous crimes. Senor Trujillo attributed its authorship to Senor Colona and sent the latter a challenge. Senor Colona denied the authorship, but accepted the challenge.

Under the conditions agreed upon the duel was to be fought yesterday afternoon on San Juan hill. The contestants were to use "six shooters," beginning at 20 paces and walking toward each other, firing at will. If neither should be injured by the other's six shots, the antagonists were to reload and start again.

Chief of Gendarermie Valiente reported the matter to General Wood, who promptly arrested both men and confined them in their own houses under guard.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The Lackawanna railway station and freighthouse at Dansville, N. Y., have been burned.

The trial of Frank Knaak of New York, charged with lese majesty, will begin at Berlin Dec. 20.

The London officials have declined to prosecute the Christian Scientists in connection with the death of Harold Frederic.

Mayor Diehl has appointed a provisional committee to take action relating to holding a Pan-American exposition in Buffalo in 1901.

The steamship Marie Rickmers, from Bremen, rescued and brought to Baltimore eight survivors of the British steamship Londonian.

The Astor battery has organized "The Philippine Development Association of American Volunteers," and many of the soldiers will settle in the islands.

Prussian representatives have been instructed to investigate New York insurance companies and learn if the Americans are able to comply with the laws in Prussia.

Governor Black has pardoned Michael O'Donnell of New York city, who has been serving a sentence in Sing Sing for a crime of which James O'Donnell, an elder brother, was guilty.

Canadians After Havana Franchise.

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—Toronto capitalists interested in street railways are after a franchise in Havana and have made an offer of nearly $1,500,000 for the street system in the Cuban city. On Saturday William Mackenzie, president of the Toronto Street railway, Fredrick Nicholls of the Canadian General Electric company and Z. Lash left for the south to perfect arrangements for taking over the line. It is declared here that the Canadian syndicate outmaneuvered an American company that was after the railway concession in Cuba. The same syndicate already operates street railways in Montreal, Toronto, London, Ont., Winnipeg, Kingston, Jamaica, and Birmingham, England.

Merriam May Succeed Bliss.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—It is stated that former Governor Merriam of Minnesota, who has been in Washington for several days, is under serious consideration for the post of secretary of the interior when Secretary Bliss retires from that office. Mr. Merriam called at the White House several days ago with Senator Knute Nelson and had a conference with President McKinley and later was closeted with Secretary Bliss. He is a warm personal friend of the president. Senator Davis has opposed Mr. Merriam's selection for important positions in this administration, but it is thought may withdraw his opposition.

Filipinos Demand Ransom.

MADRID, Dec. 15.—There is great irritation here at the continued refusal of the Filipinos to release the Spanish prisoners, who are said to exceed 10,000 in number. The insurgents are now demanding that Spain pay, as a ransom for these prisoners, the $20,000,000 which she is to receive, according to the terms of the treaty of peace, from the United States as compensation for money expended in the betterment of the Philippine islands.

A Columbus Statue Stoned.

MADRID, Dec. 15. A crowd of women of the lower class in Granada stoned the statue of Christopher Columbus in that city yesterday, considering that the discoverer of America was the cause of all Spain's misfortunes.

A mother pays a heavy price for the privilege of motherhood. The days of waiting and hoping and anxiety before the little one comes; the after years of care and solicitude, nursing the little life into physical completeness; guiding the little footsteps, the little hands and the gradually expanding mind—all this is part of the burden of motherhood. Yet an expectant mother is happy with it all in blissful anticipation of the dear, soft nestling little bit of humanity which is all her very own.

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"Well, tell him not to bother. I'm not going to have the careless innocence of childhood disturbed by any such useless trouble. It'll be time enough for him to face the awful problems of life when he grows up and has grocery bills of his own."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

She Was Thinking of It.

Mrs. Elverson—Oh, Mrs. Downsleigh, I hear that your daughter Mabel is engaged to Fred Waddington.

Mrs. Downsleigh—Yes; they expect to be married some time during the winter. Why, what makes you look so funny? Do you know anything about him?

Mrs. Elverson—Oh, no; nothing much. I was only thinking. Once when he was a boy I heard our minister say he expected him to come to a bad end.—Chicago Daily News.

An Indistinct Impression.

"I dunno's I exactly agree wif dat speakuh," remarked Mr. Erastus Pinkley, as he was walking home from the lecture with Miss Miami Brown.

"At what point does yoh comprehensiveness get stalled?"

"Well, ef he says he favors de policy of expansion, I dunno's I un'stan's 'im. But ef he favors de expansion o' policy, I's right wif 'im."—Washington Star.

His Rich Trait.

"Dawson's an awfully extravagant chap."

"Yes, he is."

"Has he got much money back of him?"

"I'm afraid he has—more, in fact, than he has ahead of him."—Harper's Bazar.

A Woman's Aim.

Bride—If you ever flirt with any other woman, Harry, I will shoot you!

Harry—What! Could you aim a gun at your own husband?

Bride—Yes, I could and would.

Harry (relieved)—Well, then, I should be perfectly safe.—Harlem Life.

A Base Slander.

"It is claimed by the complainant that you assaulted him," said the magistrate.

"He lies, your worship. I never touched him. Bobson and Tibbs picked him up and carried him to the pump. All I did was to work the pump handle."—Tit-Bits.

His Status.

Book Agent—What kind of a man is your neighbor, Mr. Puffedup?

Farmer Hornbeak—Wa-al, I cackerlate he imagines that there won't be any more wet weather this season unless he withdraws his objection.—Judge.

Not Such a Big Fool.

Emily—I am so unhappy. I begin to see that Arthur married me for my money.

Her Dearest Friend—Well, you have the comfort of knowing that he is not so simple as he looks.—Tit-Bits.

In the Big Race.

The race is not in every case
Unto the swift, they say,
And by that self-same token he
That leads the fastest life may be
Passed by the man who "pegs away."
—Chicago Daily News.

OH, THE DIFFERENCE.

"What a wretchedly dark hole this is, now!"

"Do you think so? Before we were married, you always said it was the most delightful in Brighton—so few lamps."—Ally Sloper.

A Sermonette.

Whate'er bet de, O murmur not—
Waste no good breff upon your lot;
Lo! while you grumble, fleeth time,
Which, well y'min might serr a time.

Poetry and Reality.

He—I'd go through fire and water for you, dear.

She—Never mind that. Would you agree to go through the operation of making fire for me?—Yonkers Statesman.

Often Done.

"What is an investigation, Uncle Rodney"

"Investigation? Why, it's hunting up a lot of blame and putting it on somebody else."—Puck.

The War in Vain.

"I do wish the United States would get possession of the Canary islands."

"Why?"

"Because it would make good singers cheap, wouldn't it?"—N. Y. Truth.

A Libel on Collegians.

Mrs. Benham—I wonder why our boy hasn't written lately.

Benham—He's probably having good luck at poker.—Town Topics.

A Club of One.

"How do you keep so young, Mrs. Lighthead?"

"Well, I never worry about my age."—Detroit Free Press.

Guess Again.

Clerk—What kind of gloves, madam—walking gloves?

Miss Wayback—Mercy sakes, no! I don't wear gloves on my feet.—Judge.

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"I expect you wonder how an old shellback like me (that's what they calls us in the navy) came to be berthed fore-and-aft in a snug little cottage like this, with nothing in the world to do but open the gates for the cap'n or his lady—bless her heart!—whenever they drives through. But, as I said afore, it's just pure luck. Why, it was worth an hour's fighting to gain such a missus as mine, not to mention the lodge here, and the pension, or the copper cross which the dear old widdy herself pinned on my blouse.

"Of course it was the cross our queen pinned on my breast—not the cottage or the pension. I dare say my talk seems queer to a fine gentleman like you, because I can't express my meanin' like those London chaps what sits in their drorin'-rooms and writes grand stories of adventure for Answers and sech like, when mebbe they've never been further than Margit.

"Howsumdever, I reckon I can spin a yarn with the best of them, only it wouldn't be dished up in such fine dressing like, but simply plain truths. and, if you care to hear how Capt. Grahame and me rescued they who was to be our future missuses from a host of bloodthirsty demons, you had better heave-to on yon seat and help yourself to the 'bacca, which I can guarantee as the genuine broad-arrow brand, and calc'lated to warm the cockles of any man what is a man.

"I dare say you know more about the ins and outs of the Egyptian affair of '82 than I do. An ordinary able-bodied seaman don't go into no question of polytics. He leaves that to the officers. All I knew was that there was a row on about a cove what called himself 'Alibi Pasha,' or some sich outlandish name. They are all 'Pashas' out in Egypt, excepting a few copper-colored chaps who goes by the names of 'Shrieks' and 'Cakes'—I hear our Tommies have been making 'em groan a bit lately—just the same as everyone is a count or a markiss in Italy, and a kernal in America.

"As usual, England and France was mixed up in the scrimmage. I was serving aboard the Thunderer at that time, and we was stewing at Malta when the welcome order came for us to proceed south with all speed. We men knowed there was something brewing by the eager way the officers talked to one another, and we concluded it must be serious by the extra cutlass and gun drill we had to do.

"We reached Alexandria in time to take part in the bombardment: but, of course, you know all about that. Poor devils! It warn't such fun for us. They had some very good guns, but they were badly served, and after the first half hour they were nearly all silent, only just spitting occasionally.

"We stood off and knocked all their old forts and moskies to smithereens, setting a good part of the town afire before they would give in. Then, when the signal to cease fire was flying, and I was reckoning to enjoy a rest, be blowed if I warn't ordered to join a short party which the admiral was sending to put out the flames our guns had caused.

"It warn't no joke, I can tell you, to have to work in blinding smoke pulling down the old houses and temples, so that the fire should not spread, 'specially as some of the cowardly riff-raff were taking pot-shots at us from the narrow streets all the time. There we was slaving away, with the perspiration dropping off us and our parched tongues hanging out of our mouths, and not a blessed drop of nothing to drink all the time.

"Presently I felt some one touch my arm. Turning, I saw young Lieut. Grahame with his face as white as chalk—that is, as far as I could see through the smoke and dirt with which he was grimed. 'Saunders,' says he, 'come along of me at once; that is, if you're a man. I've got permission, and there's £10 for you if we find her.'

"'Ay, ay, sir,' says I, wondering who we were to find, but knowing my betters too well to ask questions, and being only too glad to get out of that hell of smoke and flames.

"The captain—leastwise, he was only a lieutenant then—snatched up a broad service cutlass, and we started at a dog trot into the thicker part of the town.

"I can tell you it was no bloomin' picnic, even at the start. The streets were narrow and quite bewildering, and the further we got from our men the worse did it become. On every side we saw scowling yellow faces peeping at us from the windows and roofs of the tall houses. You see, we had not yet occupied the place, and it was full of the defeated Egyptians and worse scum, always so plentiful in these foreign cities. Just by way of change, every now and then we heard the ping of a bullet as it flew past our ears, and all the time we knew it would be just as easy to force a rat out of his hole as to try and discover the rascals who fired at us, hidden away as they were in the large, rambling, half-ruined buildings by which we were surrounded.

"I may as well tell you now what I didn't know till afterward, and that is when Maj. Fortescue, who was a gentleman holding some official position in Alexandria, heard there was likely to be trouble, he sent his daughter Lucy, with her maid and native servant, to her aunt at Port Said by boat, when the row really came he calm off to a British ship lying in the thinking that all was safe.

"But women are only skittish creatures after all, so when the ship she was stopped at Rosetta, Miss foolishly resolved to return overland to her father. This was, of course, the very worse thing she could have done, and the result was that Lieut. Grahame met the native servant, who was looking for the major to tell him that the girl had returned to the house and was hiding there in great danger.

"When we had run on for about ten minutes we came across an ugly crowd of armed riffraff, who seemed inclined to dispute the road with us. 'Stand clear!' yelled the cap'n, as he dragged me into an open doorway. Only just in time, for had I been a minute later I should have certainly lost the number of my mess there and then, as a perfect storm of bullets hissed by me. We slammed the door to, and luckily the fastenings were still good, as we could hear the mob hammering against it and endeavoring to blow the lock open.

"'Quick; up here,' again shouted the cap'n, leading the way up some crazy stone steps on to the flat roof. There was a kind of hatchway over the stairs, and this we managed to clap on in half a tick. As luck would have it we also found a pile of loose masonry, which had fallen from the dome of a temple place next door.

"When I had shoveled about half a ton of this rubbish on to the hatch, I thinks it time to have a spell and take our bearings. I looks round, but couldn't see the cap'n nowhere.

"Just then I heard his voice yelling and shouting curses in a most awful manner, and running in the direction of the sound I found him waving his arms and stamping about as if he was balmy on the crumpet.

"'Look at the fiends!' he roared, dancing with rage. 'Now, Lucy, I'm coming, dearest!'

"And I believe he would have jumped over the parapet, a sheer drop of 60 feet, if I hadn't clinched his coat with both hands.

"There across the narrow street we saw two English females crouched on the opposite roof. The lower part of the building was in flames, and in the street below a crowd of yellow mongrels were shouting and brandishing their guns.

"Now, if there is one thing more'n another that Tom Saunders pats himself on the back about it is that he never loses his head. The roof he was standing on had a flagstaff in the middle, and in a moment like it came to me that this spar was to be the salvation of them two girls.

"'Help me pull the stick down, Grahame!' I shouted, forgetting his rank in the flurry of the moment. He catched on my meaning at once, and we both tugged away for dear life. I can't say now whether the staff was rotten or how it came about, but all I know is that in a brace of shakes we had the spar down and stretched between the two roofs. The next minute my boots were off, and I was across before the chaps below had time to think what I was a-doing of.

"Mrs. Grahame—I mean Miss Lucy, as she was then—like a true woman, wanted to stand argufying with her maid as to who I should take first, but I cut their tackle short by seizing the young lady in my arms and starting off. She was true blue and didn't screech, but nestled in my arms, bless her heart, as if she was a baby.

"I know I must be getting old, for whenever I think of that time now cold beads of perspiration stand out on my face, and I can feel my heart beating like the rod of a donkey engine.

"As soon as I stepped out on the boom a hoarse shout came from below, more like the roar of wild animals than anything else. Then I could hear popguns going off, but there couldn't have been a decent shot in all the biling of 'em, or we should never have got across.

"Before you could count two I had placed the purty creature in the cap'n's arms and was half-way back again.

"'Come along, my lass!' I said. And without a whimper the plucky gal came right to the edge of the roof to meet me. Then the worst part of the beanfeast began. Afore I had taken half a dozen steps a bullet plugged through my cheek, and I spit out two of my best biscuit crushers. Polly, too—that's the missus' name—got a nasty scratch, though I didn't know that till afterward. Then I feels a stinging pain above the right knee, and, thinks I 'it's all up this time, Tom, my boy,' when I feels the cap'n laying hold of me, and we was drawed into safety.

"I thought at least it was safety, but soon found I was wrong. The demons had managed to force the trap, and now came swarming up by dozens. Luckily for us, two British tars is a match for a hundred ragged camp followers, and we up-ended a score or so before they knowed where they was. I don't go for to say, though, that things wasn't looking serious when, just in the nick of time, we heard the tramp of a patrol, and the yellow chaps scooted so quickly that in about ten seconds there wasn't nary one to be seen.

"About a month afterward, when I was getting around again—for I was a bit knocked up after the scrimmage—I was taking a walk around the hospital when I plumps up agen Polly. The meeting was so sudden that we were both rather taken aback. She colored up like a beautiful rose, then, fore I could say a word, her arms were round me, and she lay a-crying, with her head on my shoulder. I waited till she had calmed down a bit, then I squeezes her and says: 'Polly, shall we?' Without no shilly-shallying about she answered: 'Yes!' And that was what they calls the sequel to our adventures.

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SUPREME COURT, Orange County, New York—The Port Jervis Real Estate and Loan Association, plaintiff, against Edwin T. Hopkins and others defendants.

Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale, rendered herein, on the 3d day of December, 1898, and duly entered in the office of the Clerk of Orange county I, the undersigned, the referee therein named, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, on FRIDAY, THE 6th DAY OF JANUARY, 1899, at two o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the front door of the Russell House, in the city of Middletown, Orange county, New York the real estate directed by said judgment to be sold and therein described as follows: All that tract or parcel of land, situate in the city of Middletown, county of Orange, and State of New York bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a half or iron rod set in the ground on the westerly side of North street, in said city, and 21 feet and 11 inches southerly from the southerly corner of the dwelling house now on said premises and north of building being also 2 feet easterly from the east corner of the brick store building on the property of Hattie S. Harder, and runs from thence north 47 degrees west passing on the south side of a large cherry tree 63 feet and 10 inches to an iron rod driven in the ground 11 feet and 7½ inches southerly from the south foundation wall of said dwelling house now on the premises, and 12 feet and 9 inches southerly from the west corner of the stone foundation of said house; thence south 46 degrees and 47 minutes west 3 feet and 10 inches to an iron rod or iron in the ground; thence north 40 degrees and 10 minutes west 87.8 feet along the division line of one Sayer, and the premises her in described; thence north 49 degrees and 10 minutes east 50 feet along the land of one Ayres to an iron rod driven in the ground; thence north 48 degrees and 1 minute east 141 feet along the land of Samuel Ayres to an iron rod driven in the ground in the westerly line of North street; thence south 34 degrees and 52 minutes west 55 feet and fifty-three hundredths of a foot (33-100) along the westerly line of North street to the place of beginning, be the same more or less. Being a portion of premises described in a deed from George N. Green to Margaret Linderman and Catharine Linderman, dated March 26th, 1880 and recorded in Orange County Records for free as in Book 195, page 286, May 22d, 1886, and being a portion of the premises as also described in deed from Margaret Linderman to Catharine Linderman dated May 9th 1882 and recorded in Orange County Records of Deeds, Book 407, page 547 May 22d, 1886, and being the same premises of which the said Catharine Linderman died siezed together with all the right title and interest of the said Edwin T. Hopkins of in to the land lying in front of said lot to the center line of North street, as bounded and described in a deed from Louise Mills and others to Charles E. Gardner, dated Oct 1st, 1895.

Dated at Port Jervis, N. Y., December 14th, 1898.

C. E. CUDDEBACK, Referee.

WM. H. CRANE, Plaintiff's Attorney.

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Board of City Canvassers Met and Adjourned.

The Common Council met as a Board of Canvassers at 1 o'clock, to-day, as required by the soldiers' voting law, and then adjourned until December 22nd, by which time the soldiers' votes will be opened, canvassed and returns of them made.

Wallkill's Private Dance.

Wallkills' Engine Company will hold a private dance at its truck house, Monday evening, Dec. 26. The committee of arrangements is: Jos. Carpenter, Wm. McCarter and Edward Skinner. Music will be furnished by McWilliams and Bright.

The Gentlemen's Supper.

The supper to-night at the Universalist parsonage has been provided for and will be served by the gentlemen, and they cordially invite all their friends of both sexes to come and see how well they can do it. Then attend the Misses Howland concert. 1t

State and County Taxes.

City Clerk Taylor has received the warrant for the collection of State and county taxes and will receive the same, at his office, for thirty days from to-day, without fee.

How It Starts!

Rheumatism, with its sharp twinges, aches and pains. Do you know the cause? Acid in the blood has accumulated in your joints. The cure is found in Hood's Sarsaparilla which neutralizes this acid. Thousands write that they have been completely cured of rheumatism by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Hood's Pills cure nausea, sick headache, biliousness, indigestion. Price 25 cents.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15, '98

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	128	*124⅝
Tobacco	141	141¾
Chicago Gas	104¼	104
Nat. Lead	36⅞	37⅛
General Electric	93¼	91½
U. S. L., pref.	70⅞	69¾
Tenn. Coal and Iron	84¼	84
A. T. & S. F.	15¾	15⅞
C. B. & Q.	121½	122⅛
C. M. & St. P.	116⅝	116⅝
R. I.	105⅝	109⅝
D. L. & W.		
C. of N. J.	96	96
Erie	14½	14½
D. and H.	107	107
O. & W.	17¾	17¾
Susquehanna & Western		
Susquehanna & West., pref.		
P. & R.	19⅞	19¾
N. W.	142¾	142½
L. S.		
N. Y.	121⅞	124⅝
M. C.	45⅝	44¼
Texas	16⅜	16½
U. P.	38¼	38¼
W. U.	90⅞	90⅝
L. & N.	64½	64¾
Manhattan	99⅝	99⅝
P. M.	44¾	43
Wabash, pref.	23⅜	23⅝
N. Y. Central	76⅝	77
Metropolitan Traction	191½	192
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	74	73⅝
Southern Pac.	42½	43½

CHICAGO MARKET

May Wheat	67¾	66⅝
May Corn	28⅝	28⅝
May Oats	20¼	20¾
May Pork	$9 05	$9 05
May Lard	5 37	5 37

*Ex. div. Ex. Div. 1¼ per cent.

Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP

Cures Pleurisy and Pneumonia.

The best remedy for lung affections. Small doses. Price 25 cts. at druggists.

WE INVITE!

Your attention to our stock of California Oregon and Washington Prunes. We have some of the finest brands in assorted sizes. Choice quality Molasses Syrups, Maple Syrup and White Comb Honey.

MAPES BROS.,

Grocers, West Main St., Corner Mill.

Telephone 136.

COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

State and County Taxes

Notice is hereby given, as required by statute that I have in my hands the tax roll of the city of Middletown, N. Y., that the undersigned collector of Taxes and Assessments thereof has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of State and county taxes for the current year, and will attend at the City Clerk's office, Room No. 2, Times Building, corner of Main and Centre streets, every day of the week except the Sabbath or any legal holiday, and Dec. 26th, 1898, and Jan. 2nd, 1899, days fixed by statute for the collection of taxes from 9 o'clock in the forenoon until 4 o'clock in the afternoon of each of said days for the purpose of receiving the taxes assessed upon such roll.

I. B. A. TAYLOR, Collector.

Dated December 1st, 1898. d15,21

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GREAT ARRAY OF ELEGANT AND USEFUL

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Overcoats,	Bath Robes,
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Reefers,	Night Robes,
Trousers,	Undewear,
Smoking Coats,	Neckwear,
Fancy Silk Vests,	Kid Gloves,
P. K. Full Dress Suits,	Fur Gloves,
Mackintoshes,	Hats and Caps,
Umbrellas,	Fancy Shirts,
Canes,	Mufflers,
Handkerchiefs,	Suspenders.

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I. D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer 44 James St., Middletown, N. Y. Orange County Telephone—15 re-ids use, 318 on s. Hudson River or long distance telephone No. 291. Branch office 40 Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn, 48 Great James St., New York. Lady Assistant.

DOUGHERTY & CAREY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 56 Cottage street, Middletown. Telephone 42, night and day. New York office, 53 Great Jones street. Also long distance telephone. Lady assistant.

FRED O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 99 North street. Telephone No. 3. Lady assistant. New York office 154 East 23d street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 50 Great Jones St., New York city. Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 10.

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WANTED—Farm to work on shares. Good reference. Enquire at this office. 27d3t&ltw

CROSBY Has another lot of fine Singing Canaries—yellow, mottled and dark ones. While the stock is full we wish and choose your Christmas carol singer—19 West Main street.

FOR SALE—Four horses, three well bred colts, two cows, wagons, sleighs, harness, boots and everything a man needs around a farm. Three months credit. 27d3t Enquire of C. G. BALDWIN.

CROSBY Has been making new doll and doll swings to his already complete stock. The finest goods in the city for the same money. That's the place for Candkerchiefs too.

HOMESTEAD Building and Loan Association Adjourned meeting, Friday evening. New board will do gamble, and probably offer money on new plan. 27d2t H. J. LEONARD, Secretary.

TOYS—Toys—Toys—See our immense line of them. Largest stock, lowest prices at DAYTON'S.

PRETTY Chairs and silver plated novelties make beautiful holiday gifts. Inspect them at DAYTON'S.

COAL! FORTY carloads sold in thirty days. Low prices will continue at VANFLEET'S.

WANTED—Case of bad health that R-I-P-A-N-S will not benefit. Send 5 cents to Ripans Chemical Co., New York, for 10 samples and 1,000 testimonials. 994IVJly14'99

WILL Exchange city residences for small farm near Mid'town. Address EXCHANGE, Box 211, Middletown.

TO LET—Nice Cottage on Harrison street seven rooms, all modern improvements. 6ddtf Enquire of F. D. YOUNGBLOOD.

EMULSION Cod Liver oil the great flesh and strength giver. Large 50c size. CHAMBERS' Pharmacy 57 North St. near post office.

I WILL Exchange Lockey Hall, the finest residence hill in the city limits, for a house and lot centrally located, or will trade it for good rentable property. Rare opportunity to quick dealer. 2 dtf HORACE W. COREY

S. M. BOYD,

ATTORNEY AT LAW AND NOTARY PUBLIC.

6 EAST MAIN STREET.

INSURANCE.

Special Sale!

Chas. Wolff's Son, 43 James St.

To Settle the Estate of Louis Wolff,

I OFFER THE ENTIRE STOCK OF GOODS, CONSISTING OF

Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing, Gents' Furnishings,

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AT

Prices Unheard of in This Vicinity. His Stock Must be Closed Out

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43 JAMES STREET, NEAR ERIE DEPOT

HOMES Wanted for Boys—Families willing to offer a good home to a friendless boy of any age, from infancy to ten years, and who will receive the child as a member of the family and give it such care and training as will fit it for a life of self-support and usefulness are invited to correspond with STATE CHARITIES AID ASSOCIATION, 21d&ewlmJan7 105 East 22d St., New York City.

JOS. VOGLO, 91 Fulton street, has line of fine shoes. New line of overshoes of all kinds. Men's and boys' arctics and felt boots for winter. Repairing neatly done while you wait at very reasonable prices. NO. 91 FULTON STREET.

ROOMS to Let. Enquire of W. A. VAIL, 68 Mill street. 7dtf

FRESH OYSTERS, SELECTS, TRIMMED, LEAN 7 CTS., HAMS 8 CTS. 24-17c Greening's.

WHITE Pine Balsam will cure your cough. Large bottle 25c at JOHN J. CHAMBERS' Druggist, 57 North St., near postoffice.

HONEY—Pure extracted five-pound pail, delivered, C. O. D. for 50 cents. Order by phone or postal. CHESTER BELDING, dTu,Frtf Cottage street, city.

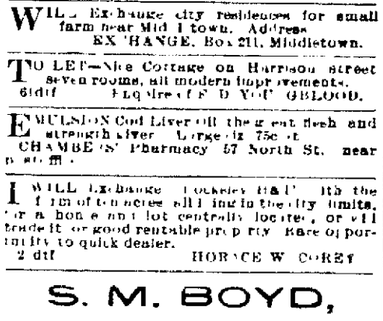
THE FAIR.

SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS—The time was when Santa Claus manufactured his own gifts. But since we have gone in the toy business he finds they can be bought cheaper than he can make them. The first thing when he rides in town is to enquire if it has a SYNDICATE FAIR STORE, and he comes early, is much too wise to wait until the final rush, when the best has been selected, and just what he wants is sold. Below are a few of his special orders. We are satisfied he knows what to order that pleases old as well as young.

We think he has a large place in his heart for little girls as he nearly always begins on

DOLLS.

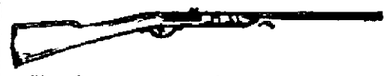
He buys the J. D. K. kid doll, the very best on the market, from 10c to $3.50, and the prettiest dressed doll, 13 inches, in different colors, with hat to match, for 25c. Talk about jointed dress dolls. You should see his smile when examining their silk and satin dresses, fancy hats, etc., 35c to $1.89.



Trunks come next to pack them cloths in with tray, lock and key, 25 to 98c.

Doll Carriages

And go carts. Upholstered, parasol, etc., 25c to $2.50. Then we know very well he leaves the little guns for a time to hunt something jolly for the boys. How he does rattle it off. Sleighs that just suit them from 25c up. Stationary engines, magic lanterns, swords, steel toys, they can bang about, from 10c up. Rocking horses, tool chests, pocket knives, tops, violins, horns, drums, etc., from 10c up. We wish you might see him when he reaches the games. Think he will need more reindeers to draw those large regular 50c games for 23c, blocks for 10c that sell elsewhere for 25c. One thing we will just whisper so the mamas won't hear. He never forgets the



Then back to the girls again, for they as well as the boys, love those lovely books for 5 and 10c and what all mamas are paying 35c for he gets at 22c, and those bright lithographed linen books at 5c, everyone else sells for 10c.

He knows no girl's house is complete without a piano to accompany her brother's horn.

Now back he comes for another load. This time it is white cradles, gold knobs etc., 25c up, with white dressers to match. Toilet stand, all complete. Extension tables, from 25 to 98c. Oak side boards, high chairs, dishes china and britannia; 4 bottled castors 10c, Bissel's toy sweeper that does the work as well as the larger ones at 15c. Oh, yes, we nearly forgot the kitchen. Here is the iron stove and furniture, 25c up, iron and stand 5c, brooms 5 and 10c, dust pans 5c, wash sets, etc. Then there is the baby's stocking to be filled with bright rattles, rubber toys, knit dolls, chimes, cows, sheep, donkeys, horses, dogs, etc., with double rocking horse, tray attached to keep the toys in, from 50c to $1.75, or a small willow or white rocker, plush seat, etc., 25 to 98c. Black boards and desks 25c up, small office chairs 98c.

Our reputation for fine china at cheap prices is so well established it seems a waste of time to mention it. But we have so many new pretty pieces that we want you to know about, in comb and brush trays 25c, bread plates 25c to $1.50, dainty cups and saucers 10 to 98c, salads 25c to $1.50, celery trays, celery salts to match, bread and butter plates, chocolate pots, cracker jars, condensed milk jars, bera jars, pudding sets, frames, placques, shaving mugs, ink stands, syrup jars, candle sticks, oat meal sets.

Game sets, with platters and 12 plates to match, pin trays, bone dishes, olive dishes, jardinaires, bric-a-brac, bisque figures, etc.

If you want Rodgers' A No. 1 table ware for half the price you have been paying, we are ready for you with a full line A. D. spoons, tea, table and dessert spoons, sugar shells, butter knives, berry spoons, cold meat forks, child's set, knife, fork and spoon, etc.

Sterling Silver Novelties

You could hardly believe without seeing the STAMP could be sold so cheap. We can fill your toilet table, desk, work basket, etc., with useful as well as ornamental novelties.

Or if you have more money than you wish to spend, we have the purses to keep it in.

We have much the largest line of handkerchiefs in the city. Warranted all linen from 5c each to 75c to $1.50 per box.

Also full line perfumes and atomizers.

You Know

Your wife has hinted time and again for a dinner set. Now is the time to please her. We have a line to choose from that you cannot fail to please her. Will guarantee every piece to not crazy. Just go round, get prices, come to us last. Look at the potter's stamp and see if we do not do as we advertise. Sell the best for the least money.

Some of you need a lamp or toilet set more than a dinner set. Well we are all right on those also.

Owing to our immense order for lamps for our six stores, we have been a little late in getting the line complete. But we are now ready to show a line that has never been equalled in Middletown. Our lamps are PERFECT, latest styles, tasty decoration, simple construction, best of workmanship and finish, central draft insuring a perfectly clear and steady white light, no flickering and no smoking.

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